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★ ROOS' NEW PLANS ★

BY KEITH GILMOUR

THE Socceroos and the National Soccer League will be given a greatly enhanced profile as the Australian Soccer Federation's latest planning comes to fruition.

Next month's Indonesian trip for the Piala Kemerdekaan tournament will be quickly followed by away matches against South Korea on Thursday September 6 and Sunday, September 9.

ASF chairman John Constantine told ASW: "South Korea will cover our expenses for the games, which will give us a great

opportunity to compare our present position with one of the Italia '90 World Cup finals teams.

"The Indonesian and South Korean tours fit in well with the start of the new NSL season in October.

"In addition, the commissioners will be working in conjunction with coaches Eddie Thomson and Les Scheinflug to get a constant run of appropriate international matches to ensure the Socceroos' future welfare.

"It could be that we secure a few warm-up games to tune up for the England visit next June."

The commissioners have sanctioned

the calling of applications for a marketing manager and a youth development officer, as well as Thomson's replacement as national coaching director.

Mr Constantine said: "Until now we have had no marketer to directly service the Victorian Health Foundation and their associates. They bring in over \$1 million per annum to the ASF and NSL.

"Our marketing manager will service them and the other big sponsors we aim to secure."

The marketing

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Goalmouth action featuring Warringah's Steve Knight against NSW State League promotion hopeful Sydney Macedonia at Jensen Oval on Sunday. Macedonia won 1-0. Inset: More Jensen Park highlights. Photo STEPHEN GOSCH/AVENEWS.

THOSE 40,000 SMACKEROOS!



NSW Amateur Soccer Federation president John Hedison accepts a mock-up of the \$40,000 sponsorship cheque from Greg MacDonald of Mercantile Mutual. Looking on (centre) is Barry Copelin of insurance brokers Tolley and Gardner. — see pages 19/21.

Garry McDowall tips Bergers

BY GREG BLAKE

HEIDELBERG is primed, ready to roll and "looking awesome" as it faces up to top side Croydon City in the Victorian State League match of the season at Olympic Village on Sunday.

According to ASW's State League expert David Bullock, who witnessed the Bergers' three-goal demolition of Caulfield last Saturday, Heidelberg is set to win the battle of the Victorian giants.

Croydon City, the pre-season title longshot which has taken the State League by storm, is the form

team of the competition and can avenge its 3-0 drubbing at the hands of Heidelberg back in round 11.

Croydon has won its last seven games on end and is unbeaten since its round 15 match at home to Green Gully back on May 15.

Heidelberg has lost twice in the same period but a run of five successive wins in recent weeks suggests that the Bergers are peaking for Sunday's big clash.

Heidelberg's former Socceroo Garry McDowall, who is set to return from suspension for the do-or-die battle, says his club has been at its most con-

sistent best over the past three weeks.

"And our goals for speak for themselves," McDowall told ASW.

"We won't change for Sunday's game — the way we play is to attack and that's what we'll do on Sunday.

"There is no team we fear."

Only league top scorer Paul Lewis is certain to be missing from Heidelberg's team on Sunday. Lewis faces the VSF tribunal tonight (Wednesday) after being sent of 10 days ago against Thomas-

town. George Slifkas is rated as doubtful as he is still suffering from the groin rash which

kept him out last weekend.

Croydon has two injury worries following its 3-1 win over Bulleen at the weekend.

Player-coach Ian Dobson and Goran Runje will face fitness tests after coming off against Bulleen on Sunday.

Dobson believes his side won't wilt under the pressure of Sunday's possible championship decider.

"We were in a similar position last year and under far more pressure then," says Dobson.

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Charlie Yankos fights to regain fitness

BY KEITH GILMOUR

SOCEROO Charlie Yankos has to recover his fitness level to play a big part in the coming matches in Indonesia.

The national team is to compete in the fifth Piala Kemerdekaan 1990 Tournament, to be held in Jakarta from August 19/29.

Yankos told ASW: "Being involved in the SBS World Cup telecast for a month meant that I had no time to be active."

"I'm now back at work after a week's break so I have little time available to take it from there."

Yankos has regularly captained the Soceroos, and is looking forward to playing his part once again.

He is the only player in the side without a club at present.

Dealing with the new-19 man squad, he said: "It isn't that much different to our recent teams."

"Tony Krslovic was on the fringe. He is an extremely good player — strong and aggressive — and the tour experience will see him improve."

"He could slot in well beside Graham Arnold and Paul Trimboli."

The three newcomers are Branko Milosevic, Melbourne Croatia's stylish midfielder, Melita Eagles midfielder Andrew



CHARLIE YANKOS: the Soceroo skipper is racing against time to achieve maximum fitness.

Callinan, and Apia-Leichhardt's no-nonsense winger, Jason van Blerk, whose selection is the biggest surprise.

Van Blerk has trained extensively in England, and last season joined Apia after playing with Blacktown City.

His father, South African-born Cliff van

Blerk, was an uncompromising defender in

earlier years at Apia.

Tony Franken is a welcome addition after making a comeback with Sydney Croatia following a knee reconstruction.

The selection is necessarily confined to players resident in Australia.

There is the making of a sound defence and an intelligent midfield, with the strikers given the chance to prove their mettle.

No doubt coach Eddie Thomson, who has been on tour with the Australian youth

team in Asia, will later have to do some fine-tuning.

Opponents in Jakarta could include Indonesia A and B, Malaysia, a Czechoslovakian select and either Japan or South Korea, according to the latest information from the All Indonesia Football Federation.

This is the first national team tour directed towards preparations for the elimination rounds of the 1994 World Cup, to be held in the United States.

AUSTRALIA 1990

Robert Zabica
Tony Franken
Mehmet Durakovic
Charlie Yankos
Gary van Egmond
Andrew Bernal
Andrew Callinan
Alex Tobin
Robert Hooker
Ernie Tapai
Mike Petersen
Tom McCulloch
Paul Wade
Branko Milosevic
George Jolevski
Jason van Blerk
Graham Arnold
Paul Trimboli
Tony Krslovic

(Adelaide City)
(Sydney Croatia)
(South Melbourne)
(unattached)
(Marconi)
(Sydney Olympic)
(Parramatta Melita)
(Adelaide City)
(Sydney Olympic)
(Sunshine)
(South Melbourne)
(Marconi)
(South Melbourne)
(Melbourne Croatia)
(Preston)
(Apia Leichhardt)
(Sydney Croatia)
(South Melbourne)
(St George)

As one of millions of frustrated soccer fans, who have been disappointed with the results of the recent World Cup, I would like to offer some solutions to improve the game as a spectator sport.

Lack of goals has been one of the disappointments of this world-wide spectacle.

The other obvious feature, sticking out a mile, has been the revelation of parity between European, South American, and the so-called third world soccer nations. No longer do European and South American soccer giants dwarf the rest of the world!

No doubt, if professionalism could have been introduced in Australia 10 years ago, we would be there now in the top ten!

What we have seen also clearly, is the inability of otherwise skillful teams to score goals under the present system of the game's rules.

The fear of having goals scored against, has robbed the sport of its major attraction.

I feel that a drastic situation needs drastic remedies, such as:

1. Drop the off-side rule altogether, the recently adopted slight change can only result in a slight increase in the number of goals.

2. Drop the number 1 position in the team: the goalkeeper, without changing the number of players in the team.

All eleven players should be allowed to defend their goal without use of arms and hands; that way it would be truly Football!

3. Players who resort to so-called professional fouls (tripping opponents away from the ball) should be shown the red card immediately, and not after a second offence!

ANY COMMENTS?

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Sydney Olympic supporters receive special deal

BY JOHN ECONOMOS



STEFAN KAMASZ

SYDNEY Olympic's full-time secretary-manager Stefan Kamasz has put together an attractive package to go on sale to club supporters.

Mr Kamasz told ASW: "The special package will cost \$150 per person."

"For this, the supporter will get:

"One full season pass to all of Sydney Olympic's home matches at the St George Stadium.

"One specially designed fashion club tie.

"A copy of the match day programme.

"A special souvenir team photo of the Sydney Olympic 1990/91 NSL squad.

"His own reserved seat at the St George Stadium.

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"At the moment we are working on special Match Day promotions that will include first class entertainment.

"The Sydney Olympic ball boys will be sponsored and smartly outfitted by the COMMONWEALTH BANK.

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JASON VAN BLERK: surprise Soceroo selection.

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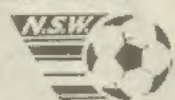
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- ★ To maintain and develop the existing liaison with State Directors of Coaching.
- ★ To liaise with the Australian Sports Commission, Australian Coaching Council, Australian Institute of Sport on issues referring to coaching, particularly the aspect of funding and other related Development Projects.
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Absence of Okon and Seal handicaps Olympic squad

BY KEITH GILMOUR

STAR midfielder Paul Okon (Marconi) and David Seal (Sydney Croatia) will miss the Australian Olympic team's European tour next month.

Said coach Eddie Thomson from Kuala Lumpur, where the Young Socceroos were playing: "We could face some heavy losses."

"At the same time the idea is to immediately put the players under pressure, which must help develop teamwork."

The contingent departs from Europe on August 13.

After a warm-up against Gillingham FC, they meet Dundee United (August 19), the Swiss Olympic team (August 22), League of Ireland (August 24) and the Czechoslovak Olympic team (August 28).

Australia's preparations are geared towards home and away games against New Zealand, Fiji and Papua New Guinea.

The winning team will face Israel, if they win their group, or otherwise against Europe's fifth best nation.



Eddie Thomson — new national coach who is looking to co-operate with ASF chairman John Constantine and general secretary Alan Vessey to set up a long-overdue continuing national teams programme.

Zlatko Arambasic has been included, though he has joined Mechelen of Belgium.

The main club representation has gone to Blacktown

City and Sydney Olympic.

Barcelona will be the centre for the 1992

Olympic Games, with the football tournament scheduled for July 25/August 8.

AUSSIE OLYMPIC SQUAD

John Filan	(NSW)
Gregory Dickinson	(NSW)
Ned Zelic	(ACT)
Shaun Murphy	(WA)
Dominic Longo	(NSW)
Anthony Vidmar	(SA)
John Gibson	(NSW)
Eric Hrstodoulou	(NSW)
John Markovski	(Vic)
Carl Veart	(SA)
Steve Refenes	(NSW)
Peter Bennett	(NSW)
George Sifkas	(Vic)
Mark Brazzale	(SA)
Steve Georgakis	(NSW)
Steve Mautone	(NSW)
Zlatko Arambasic	(NSW)
M. Michalakopoulos	(Vic)

Kiwis face Russians

NEW Zealand defeated Lokomotiv Moscow last week 1-0 in the only international series the Kiwis have planned for the rest of the this year.



ROBBIE IRONSIDE: scored the winning goal for the All Whites against Lokomotiv Moscow.

The Kiwis lost three games at the King's Cup in January, and coach Ian Marshall now has a squad that is short of a gallop.

No announcements have been made on the composition of the Olympic Games and Youth squads.

It seems that New Zealand is making slower progress than Australia at this stage.

— KEITH GILMOUR

Asia the preferred vehicle

BY GRAHAM COOKE

THE era of "off-the-cuff" international planning has to end, new national coach Eddie Thomson said in Canberra prior to leaving on the Young Socceroos' Asian tour.

"In the past we have suffered from teams scheduled to meet the Socceroos that were coming then pulled out at the last moment, and of club sides that were not worth playing against and consequently flopped at the gate," he said.

"I am working with ASF chairman John Constantine and Secretary Alan Vessey to eliminate this kind of uncertainty once and for all."

"Within 12 months we will have established a continuing program for our national team."

Thomson said the Australian public had proved it would respond to games against quality opposition that had some point.

"Remember the 40,000 who turned out for the World Cup qualifier against Israel."

The ASF was working towards a series with England in Australia next June and Thomson rejected any suggestion that in the year after the World Cup the tourists would be under strength.

"It will be the first tour the players will make under their new manager, Graham Taylor, and they will be desperate to impress him," he said.

"And you must remember that the crowded international program means that by this time next year

Taylor will have only 12 months left before the European Championship.

"He'll have a top team out here for sure."

Ideally, Thomson would like to see a straight path to the World Cup finals for the Oceania Confederation winner, "but when you consider that in Africa around 40 countries will compete for three spots and that Oceania has around four active

countries, we have got to accept that our winner is going to be involved in a play-off with someone in South America."

"Personally, I would rather see Australia qualify through Asia."

"It is on our doorstep, and we are constantly being invited to play in tournaments there."

"I would much prefer to see our qualifying matches against the likes of South Korea and China than the South Americans."

School visits huge success

ROBBIE Wheatley and other NSL star players commenced two weeks of school visits in the Gladesville-Hornsby Football Association district in Sydney's north west on Monday.



ROBBIE WHEATLEY

The NSW development officer has pencilled in a country trip from August 5/10.

Sutherland Shire Soccer Association Schools are next to receive attention with school visits extending from August 13/24, followed by Granville Association from September 3/14.

There could will be another country visit in between Parramatta Westfield, the city's major shopping centre, will have a display from September 17/22.

Wheatley says: "In my opinion, and from the experience of the first two association

visits, the use of field officers in the schools is proving to be successful."

"We are generating a lot of publicity and gaining awareness for soccer through the visits."

"I believe we are playing a vital role in getting across to the grass roots of the public."

"Not knowing the Socceroos that go into a school (ie in comparison to a rugby league player for example) is the only disappointing aspect of the visits to date but we are making progress."

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Australian Indoor Soccer Federation official Doug Boyd said: "The response to the offer of tickets was so strong that we were simply run off our feet."

"A full house will be a great start for the new rules."

National executive director Jim Roberts said that the rules have been slanted towards continual attack.

"We are after full player satisfaction, and the sort of entertainment that will thrill television audiences," he said.

The all-star challenge kicks off at 7.30pm.

— KEITH GILMOUR

Wolves win second in a row

NOW fielding a side more in keeping with the status of the competition and having made a slow start, Wollongong City showed Avale, missing the injured Miladin Kuc, a clean pair of heels at Melita Stadium.



The 4-1 win to the South Coast side was well deserved and emphasised what could be achieved as the Wolves won their second game in a row.

Jeff Allport, the 20-year-old who is maturing rapidly this season, was entrusted with the penalty-taking duties in the 11th minute when an Avale player handled in the area.

His powerful and confidently struck ball into the top corner got things off to the perfect start for the travelling side.

Ten minutes later a David Ratcliffe free kick was headed in by Steven Baggott and from then on there was no looking back.

In the 24th another free kick by player-coach, Ratcliffe, found Baggott, whose shot bounced off the keeper to the feet of Stephen Krishna, who hammered in the rebound from about 15 metres.

Washington Gonzalez put a free kick wide of the post in the 27th minute, but Avale was missing the effervescent Kuc and had little fire-power apart from these set plays.

A rare mistake by Jason Oldridge, who

otherwise had a splendid game, allowed Avale to pull one back in the 31st minute.

Paul Welch intercepted an under-hit back pass by Oldridge and put John McKie through and the experienced Scot placed the ball past George Bouhoutsos from close range.

Wollongong was not finished, for in the second half they created

many more chances, particularly for Oldridge and were rewarded by a goal in the 89th minute.

A good move down the left flank saw Angelo Piantentini square the ball for John Danzo, who was able to find the net nicely from a few metres.

Danzo and Oldridge both had strong games for the Wolves who promise to show former

boss John Fleming and his Rockdale team how much they have improved since the first round when they met again at Brandon Park this weekend.

AVALE: Rodic, Meades, Barina, Gonzalez, Fitzharris, Berry, McKie, Scott (Nastasi), Benitez, O'Carroll (Ashton), Whelan.

WOLLONGONG CITY: Bouhoutsos, Allport, Mariano, Ratcliffe, Krishna, Higga, McEvoy, Baggott, Danzo, Oldridge, Piantentini.

REFEREE: Roger Doonan



A shot at goal by Sydney Macedonia against Warringah last weekend — Photo by STEPHEN GOESCH/AVENEWS.

Sutherland Sharks sunk by new competition leaders

BEFORE a crowd of 1460, Wollongong Macedonia gave their fans what they wanted — a 2-0 win — and for the first time a position at the head of the table.

Sutherland was not able to make much of an impression and John Kosmina was kept under a good hold by newly-married Martin Bourke, now back in

the side after his honeymoon.

For the first time this season Sutherland was beaten and they could have been a goal down in the ninth minute, but Greg Brown hit the post.

After a relatively uneventful first half, things picked up after the break and in the 48th minute it was Brown who got things moving.

John Cavanah's cross was cut out by goalie Paul Dart, whose clearance reached Brown,

who was able to get past Jim Webber and beat Dart from 10 metres.

Webber had another strong game and was on hand to clear a Brett Thornthwaite shot off the line in the 53rd minute.

Webber then sent Grant Bard on his way in the 60th, but the high-scoring Bard put his effort wide of the post.

Sutherland could have drawn level in the 66th when a Robbie Sellar freekick parried by

Peter Wilson appeared to strike Lupco Dimov on the upper arm and a penalty at that stage could have put a different complexion on proceedings.

In the 75th minute a cross from Brown deflected off Sellar for an unfortunate own goal and had Graeme Fletcher passed to one of two free players, Bradley and Brown, in the 86th, Macedonia might have had a third, but Fletcher shot instead and the goalie made the save.

It was a stylish performance by the home side which nevertheless cannot afford to make too many slip-ups in the final seven games as Canberra Croatia, with the bye, now has a game in hand.

Sutherland cannot be written off yet, but are unlikely to have Graham Arnold available for some time and will need to show all their renowned team spirit if they are to regain the winning habit.

WOLLONGONG MACEDONIA: Wilson, Cavanah, Dimov, Martin, Bourke, Cabassi, Kay, Sandy, Bradley, G. Brown, Fletcher, Thornthwaite.

SUTHERLAND: Dart, Webber, Sellar, Terry, Blacaya, O'Shea, Christodoulou, Kosmina, Sharp, Bard, Leney. Referee: Gary Power.

Sydney Macedonia keep pace with the leader

BY DAVID COOPER

SYDNEY Macedonia stayed in touch with the leaders by defeating Warringah Freshwater 1-0 at Jensen Park.

Sydney Macedonia now share second place with Canberra Croatia.

With a total of eight shots at goal, the match was less than entertaining for spectators, with the game mainly played in the midfield with very little creativity by either side in attack.

The first half saw a lot of stoppages resulting in neither side having any rhythm in attack. The best chance of the first half fell for Giannone of Warringah when he was in a one-on-one situation with Macedonia's goalkeeper Tony Avellino, but the later made a good save to deny Giannone.

The breakthrough came in the 64th minute when a high ball from Macedonia's midfield saw Kotsias for Macedonia contest a header with Warringah's full-

back Etherington, which eventually dropped nicely for Kotsias who blasted the ball past Mikuletic in the Warringah goal.

This proved to be the only bright point of a very dull second half where both defences

dominating proceedings.

SYDNEY MACEDONIA: Avellino, Souris, Cakovski, Pilovski, Reverley, Arcoza, Kotsias, Fernandez, Gilbert, Balile, Kadric.

WARRINGAH FRESHWATER: Mikuletic, Etherington, Sterrey, Knight, Dean, Masi, Lea, Veral, De Ceglie, Gigliotti, Giannone.



A do-or-die battle for possession between Sydney Macedonia and Warringah Freshwater at Jensen Park — STEPHEN GOESCH/AVENEWS pic.

Saints remain in the top four

ST GEORGE kept their place in the top four when they drew 1-1 with Canterbury Marrickville at Arlington Oval.

The game started off very slowly with the defences well and truly on top. Both sides were constantly making silly mistakes and there were only three chances created in the whole of the first half.

In the second half, however, the game opened up as both teams controlled the ball a little better.

St George were the first to pressure the opposition goalkeeper when Augerinos' swerving free kick forced Pupovac to push the ball against the crossbar which was eventually

cleared by Canterbury defenders. Eight minutes later, St George won a corner which was cleared as far as Watson who chipped over for Ciantar, who controlled the ball with head then turned before his powerful header gave Pupovac no chance in Canterbury's goal.

This goal sprung Canterbury into action and they mounted a number of attacking raids, but St George goalkeeper John Filan was generally not troubled.

Canterbury got their equaliser when Oustambasidis beat his man on the right before unselfishly passing to Lardis who was unmarked and calmly placed his shot under the arms of Filan.

The rest of the game saw both sides try to get the winner, but the defences stood firm.

CANTERBURY: Pupovac, Adamou, Slavski, Radman, Spyridakos, Hantzis, Godzik, Diwak, Lardis, Melissourgos, Oustambasidis.

ST GEORGE: Filan, Ciantar, Augerinos (Hickman), Haraghi, Milcevic, McGregor, Folladosa, El-Ali, Freestone, Paric, Adisaki (Watson).

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Canberra	8	6	2	0	27	8	14
Sydney Macedonia	9	6	2	1	14	7	14
St George	9	5	3	1	22	11	13
Wollongong Mac	9	5	3	1	20	13	13
Rockdale Ilinden	9	5	2	2	13	7	12
Sydney Croatia	8	4	2	2	16	10	10
BHP Austral	9	4	2	3	10	7	10
Avale	9	4	2	3	20	19	10
Warringah	9	4	1	4	10	11	9
Polonia	9	2	4	3	7	8	8
Canterbury	9	3	2	4	12	18	8
Wollongong City	9	3	0	6	15	20	6
Blacktown City	9	2	1	6	12	17	5
Inter Monaro	9	1	2	6	7	19	4
North Shore Utd	9	1	2	6	6	21	4
Sydney Olympic	8	1	0	7	9	20	2
Marconi	8	0	1	7	3	22	1

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Avale	9	6	2	1	19	10	14
Canberra	8	5	2	1	20	8	12
Blacktown City	8	6	0	2	14	7	12
Warringah	9	5	2	2	18	15	12
Wollongong Mac	8	5	2	1	14	11	12
Wollongong City	9	6	0	3	10	8	12
Sydney Macedonia	9	4	3	2	15	10	11
Inter Monaro	8	3	3	2	13	10	9
BHP Austral	8	2	4	2	15	12	8
Polonia	8	3	2	3	11	9	8
Sydney Croatia	7	3	1	3	12	9	7
Sutherland Shire	8	2	3	3	12	9	7
North Shore Utd	7	3	1	3	9	9	7
St George	8	0	5	3	6	16	5
Rockdale Ilinden	7	2	0	5	9	13	4
Canterbury	8	1	1	6	6	17	3
Sydney Olympic	8	1	0	7	9	20	2
Marconi	9	0	1	8	9	28	1

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Beddoni clinches the two points



BRUNO Beddoni kept up his good scoring form by presenting Rockdale Ilinden with the two points with the only goal of their 1-0 win at Hurstville Oval on Sunday against Sydney Olympic.

Beddoni struck in the 65th minute when a Greg Lerond free kick from 20 metres out, wide on the left, was met by the enterprising Beddoni who made a quick dash from the far post to head in at the near post only centimetres inside Gary Meier's post.

A bumpy surface did not allow Olympic to persevere with their favoured one-touch football and with the breeze at their backs they were unable to capitalise on the good form of John Koch and Craig Sharpley.

Steve Refenes was also a danger on the left flank, but Rockdale did well in the first half to hold this strong strike force and made the second half theirs.

During the opening period Keith Warren made an important save, gloving to safety a shot from Koch, who turned well when in receipt of a ball from a

throw-in and tested the agile Warren in the 20th minute.

In the 25th minute Stuart Porter challenged Nick Plataniotis who was keen to bring the ball out of defence and Porter gained possession, before slipping it to Beddoni, whose shot was pushed away by Meier.

Ten minutes later Beddoni himself brought the ball in from the byline and shot from an awkward angle, but once again was denied by the veteran Olympic custodian who dealt with the rising ball well.

Meier saved again from Beddoni after a Petrovski square ball in the 55th, but in the 60th it looked certain that Beddoni's skill would win a penalty.

Beddoni worked his way into the box and was taken on by both Plataniotis and Georgeopoulos and the Rockdale player ended up on the ground and looked ready to claim the spot kick.

Referee Kevin Tooke indicated a dive and it was left to Beddoni to finally find the net in the 65th.

Koch twice went close for Olympic, whose play was patchy, by shooting wide once and having a second long-range drive blocked, as Rockdale maintained a clean sheet.

ROCKDALE-ILINDEN: Warren, Ralevski, Segreto, Naumovski, Buchanan, Wilson, Willis, Petrovski (Devoridge), Lerond, Beddoni, Porter.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier, Lou Triantafyllou, Jerkovic, Sharpley, Georgeopoulos, Lardie, Plataniotis, Koch, Aroujo, Cardozo (Ar Triantafyllou 65), Refenes.

REFEREE: Kevin Tooke.

MARCONI 1 BHP AUSTRAL 2

THIS First Division game set down for Marconi Stadium on Sunday almost failed to get off the ground, literally.

The pitch nominated for play, field number four, was declared unsafe by the referee following complaints by the visiting Newcastle officials and players and the game eventually got under way on training pitch number two, the main arena being unmarked.

Howard Tredinnick headed in an 11th minute corner swung over by Bobby Naumov and set the pattern for a match which was dominated by the more determined BHP Austral side.

It was not until the 70th minute that the very youthful Marconi team equalised and it was a classic header by Charlewood that did the damage.

A free kick from outside the box lofted in by Lopez eluded the Austral defence and Newcastle had it all to do again.

They regained the lead when the same

player turned the ball into his own net after a David Jones cross had been cleared to the edge of the area.

Jones enjoyed himself on the small pitch, judging his passes to perfection and along with Dean McWhirter and Gary Phillips was instrumental in seeing two valuable points go to the visitors.

Surjan, Lopez and van Egmond all played well for Marconi who, for all that, remain anchored at the foot of the ladder.

Brett Porter worked hard all day for little reward, but the most promising sign to come out of a day of controversy was the hat-trick in the under 19 game scored by Costa Caimakamis, who had been out of the Austral side since sustaining a back injury during the off season.

MARCONI-FAIRFIELD: Bowles, Caluccio, Galic, Mammona, Lopez, Dal'Est, Charlewood, Surjan, Susa, Mendes, Van Egmond.

BHP AUSTRAL: Carter, Jones, Maler, Boogaard, McWhirter (Devon 58), Tredinnick, Naumov, Bailey, Phillips, Porter, Miletic (Brandt 77).

REFEREE: B. McGregor.



Action from the Sydney Macedonia v Warringah Freshwater game last weekend — **STEPHEN GOSCH/AVENEWS photo.**

Polonia blows it

BY DAVID COOPER

POLONIA put paid to just about any chances they may have had of reaching the semi-finals when they could only manage a 1-1 draw with Blacktown City at Chopin Park.

In a very spiteful encounter, both sides failed to put away good chances that came their way, which meant neither team could gain the advantage.



Polonia opened up the scoring in the 12th minute when Geoff Gunning of Blacktown was alleged to have used an elbow in the area, resulting in a penalty to Polonia.

Drys had no trouble converting the spot kick.

The rest of the first half saw very little goal-mouth action, however Blacktown failed to make use of two good chances that fell their



Dominic Longo

way when Sunan and McKinna messed up free headers in front of goal.

In the second half, the game opened up a little, which resulted in Blacktown's equaliser when Sunan headed home from close range.

Polonia could have grabbed the winner late in the game when they had two shots cleared off the line.

POLONIA: Thurlow, Kealy (Camburn), C. Thompson, G. Thompson, Kolwicki, Drys, Robertson, M. Pratt, D. Pratt, Soper (Beamer), Nowicki.

BLACKTOWN CITY: Mautone, Longo, Lees, Langan, Connolly, Comerford, Mason, Gibson, Gunning, Rogers, Suman (Ferguson), McKinna.



Another incident from the Jensen Oval game between Sydney Macedonia and Warringah — Pic by **STEPHEN GOSCH/AVENEWS.**

Shore wins dour battle

A dour relegation struggle at Cromer Park ended with North Shore United defeating Inter Monaro by the same score as the first round, 2-1.

North Shore may have expected to continue their strong showing against Sutherland with a display of their class, but, instead, they looked vulnerable in defence and attacks often went wrong when players could not convert a steady supply of useful crosses.

Inter Monaro missed Baz Giampaolo and had newcomer Arsenije Popovich carrying a knee injury into the game.

Popovich was the player who intercepted a Craig McColl back pass and took the ball round the keeper Michael Blanco to give Monaro the lead in the fifth minute.

Mark Nile had twice already caused some havoc in the Queanbeyan side's defence by getting easily past his defender and cutting the ball back for Aaron Ferguson and Glenn Jeffery whose separate shots were both adequately dealt with by Steve Hoszowski.

Janke and Njegosh Popovich figured in a second counter-attacking move which could have spelt disaster for the home side.

They raced away to confront Blanco, with only the goalie's legs keeping them at bay in

the 27th minute raid.

North Shore defender Pat Crookes put his side back in business when he headed in from a difficult angle at the far post, a cross superbly put over by Jeffery from the right byline.

It was a piece of precision placement which rarely comes off, but the big defender took his chance confidently.

In the 62nd minute a free kick, taken from the goal area by Craig Alchin, reached sweeper Craig Bass who had pushed forward.

Bass was able to beat off a defender and send Glenn Jeffery away, with the previously out of touch striker tucking the ball inside the right hand post past the advancing Hoszowski.

A Lee Sutherland cross in the 66th minute was almost turned into his own goal by Alchin, but the Monaro defender redeemed himself by cutting out a Chris Bradley chip over the 'keeper which could have made it 3-1.

The last 15 minutes saw North Shore on the back foot as Monaro threw everyone forward in search of the equaliser.

Frank Daniele's 88th minute shot could have achieved that, but after a fumble by the 'keeper, Crookes made a vital clearance to keep his side's lead.

Kupco Djordjeski was just wide with another effort, as Monaro made their opponents work hard to

earn the vital two points.

NORTH SHORE UNITED: Blanco, McColl, Gillan, Crookes, Bass, Ferguson, Bradley, Sutherland, Norman, Nile, Jeffery.

INTER-MONARO: Hoszowski, A. Monterosso (Djordjeski 53), B. Monterosso, Alchin, Bryant, Danielle, Ambrosino, Carbone, N. Popovich, A. Popovich (Arthur 46), Janke.

REFEREE: John Bowdler.

TOP SCORERS

- Grant Bard (Sutherland), Tony Lemezina (Canberra).
- Alan Reis (Canberra).
- Scott Gilbert (Sydney Mac).
- Miladin Kuc (Avala), Oswald El All (St George).
- Stuart Porter (Rockdale), Graeme Fletcher (Wollongong Mac), Jason Oldridge (Wollongong City), Bruno Beddoni (Rockdale), Greg Brown (Wollongong Mac).
- Lawrie McKinna (Blacktown), David Suman (Blacktown), Shawn Freestone (St George), Jerzy Drys (Polonia).
- Louis Dounis (Canterbury), Pol Krstevski (BHP Austral), David Seal (Sydney Croatia), Leon Arcoas, Theo Kotsias, (both Sydney Mac), Emil Maricic (Inter Monaro), John Danzo (Wollongong City).

RESULTS

CONFERENCE A

Rockdale-Ilinden 1 (Beddoni) Sydney Olympic 0, Canberra Croatia bye, Marconi 1 (Charlewood) BHP Austral 2 (Tredinnick, Charlewood o.g.), Sydney Macedonia 1 (Kotsias) Warringah-Freshwater 0, Avala 1 (McKie) Wollongong City 4 (Allport pen, Baggett, Krishna, Danzo).

CONFERENCE B

Canterbury-Marrickville 1 (M. Lardie) St George 1 (Clanter), Polonia 1 (Drys) Blacktown City 1 (Connolly), Sydney Croatia bye, North Shore United 2 (Crookes, Jeffery) Inter-Monaro 1 (A. Popovich), Wollongong Macedonia 2 (Brown, Sellar o.g.) Sutherland Shire 0.

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SATURDAY JULY 28

STATE LEAGUE DIVISION 2

Waverley	v	Southern Districts	Waverley Oval
Mt Druit Town	v	Dulwich Hill	Popondetta Park
Manly Warringah	v	Fairfield City	Cromer Park

FEDERATION LEAGUE 3

Hills United	v	Cyprus United	Fred Caterson
Port Hacking	v	Canterbury & Dist	Seymour Shaw
Bankstown	v	Lemnos Allstars	Jensen Park
Bathurst '75	v	Mt Pritchard	TBA

SUNDAY JULY 29

STATE LEAGUE CONFERENCE A

Sydney Olympic	v	Canberra Croatia	St George Stadium 7.30pm
Wollongong City	v	Rockdale Ilinden	Brandon Park
Marconi	v	Sydney Macedonia	Marconi Oval
Warringah	v	Avala	Cromer Park
BHP Austral — bye			

STATE LEAGUE CONFERENCE B

St George	v	Sydney Croatia	St George Stadium 5pm
Inter Monaro	v	W'gong Macedonia	Marco Polo
Sutherland Shire	v	Polonia	Seymour Shaw
Blacktown City	v	Canterbury	Gabbie Stadium
North Shore — bye			

DIVISION 2

Petersham	v	Campbelltown Vik.	Erskineville Oval
Orange Waratahs	v	Central Coast	Waratah Sports Gd
Granville Chile	v	Gladesville H'by	Garside Park
Rosebery	v	Auburn Yugal	E S Marks Field

FEDERATION LEAGUE 3

North Ryde RSL	v	Mt Pritchard	Magdala Park
Lemnos Allstars	v	Concordia	Camperdown Oval
Uni of NSW	v	Bathurst '75	Little Bay Oval
West Wanderers	v	Bankstown	Harold Read Res

All games kick-off 3pm with U19 at 1pm, with BHP Austral 2.30pm and 12.30pm, unless otherwise stated.

See State League action this week!



Full-strength Gladesville-Hornsby

BY PAUL GOODWIN

FOR the first time this season Gladesville-Hornsby coach Les De Celis had all his first grade players at his disposal, after a year plagued by injuries to members of his squad.

The 'Mitre 10 Bears' emphasised their full-strength capabilities by trouncing the useful Waverley outfit 5-0 at Waverley Oval on Saturday.

At half-time the scoresheet was still blank, but Gladesville had gone close twice and had put the writing on the wall.

Sheffield Shield cricketer Neil Maxwell headed over the bar and centre back Angelo Raguz's shot also went over the top.

Raguz made amends in the 55th when he headed in at the near post from a corner and from that point there was no stopping the visitors.

De Celis was re-appointed, during the week, as coach for next year and the players showed him their support with their most emphatic performance to date.

Maxwell, who is not always available, grabbed his first for the club, and leading scorer Graeme Williamson made it 3-0.

Jeff Kelly also found the net for the first time and substitute Bernie Voloder wrapped things up with a thunderbolt in the 85th to make it a day Gladesville won't forget in a hurry.

Dulwich Hill and Manly turned up at Arlington Oval on Saturday and staged a hard fought 1-1 draw with Madeira coach Agenor Muniz far from satisfied with the performance of some of his 'star' players.

Although a goal up when a soft shot in the first minute was deflected into the net off a Manly defender's legs, the home side lacked a sense of purpose and allowed Manly to get back in the game.

A penalty taken by Bobby Geoghegan hit the post, but prime poacher Graham Walton was on hand to tuck it away and another point went down the drain for the title hopefuls.

Muniz is anticipating up to seven changes for this weekend's crucial game with Mount Druitt at Popondetta Park.

Now unbeaten in 10 matches, Mount Druitt travelled to Plum Park and came up with a 1-0 win over Central Coast on Sunday.

Both sides worked hard and the spoils could easily have been shared.

Mount Druitt grabbed the winner with

three minutes to spare when a cross was punched out by the 'keeper and David Close hit a volley from 35 metres to send his side home happy.

Fairfield City and Granville shared the points at Knight Park with the home side enjoying slightly the better share of possession.

They had a penalty appeal turned down and another goal ruled out due to an earlier infringement, but maintain their strong run of unbeaten matches to keep in the race for the four.

Auburn Yugal are now beginning to play good football again and could have been unlucky not to defeat Petersham at Mona Park.

Rale Rasic

Zoran Beluzic and Vlado Zoric weaved their magic, but nothing went right as Beluzic had a penalty saved by Frank Dilamo and another goal, a header, disallowed.

Now guided by the astute Rale Rasic, the Blues are on the way back and should soon hit the spot.



RALE RASIC

Rosario Pinto excelled in the Auburn goal, brilliantly saving a late shot from Frank Speranza.

Poor Orange fell behind to two very early goals and had no luck against Campbelltown as Glen Hooper again had a fine game up front and troubled Greg Woodhouse on many occasions.

Woodhouse had to be at his best to deny the all-round sportsman who attempted to wipe out a third-minute Dave Nicholls header and an eighth-minute Sep Disch drive.

In the end R. Analzark, the substitute, grabbed a late consolation, following a free kick in the Orange half and maybe this weekend Orange can break through when they tackle long distance travellers Central Coast.

Southern Districts hammered four past the unfortunate Rosebery who they meet again in seven days' time at Bensley Road.

Aytec Genc scored in the 15th and 50th and



WAYNE FARNSWORTH

LEMEZINA'S SHOCK WALK-OUT

BY GRAHAM COOKE

CANBERRA Croatia's leading scorer, Tony Lemezina, has walked out on the soccer club — apparently to try and seek his fortune in Europe.

The NSW State League leader was rocked by the news with officials saying they had had no inkling of the star striker's intentions.

"The first thing I knew about it was when I turned up for training on Tuesday night and was told by team manager Mirko Skrnjug he had had a message from a member of Tony's family that he had gone," coach Tom Sermanni said.

"It was a complete surprise for everyone. I was told Tony had left the club around 10pm on Sunday night and that his last words were 'see you at training on Tuesday'."

"I can tell you I am bitterly disappointed in him. Only earlier in the week I was on television praising his attitude and saying he has found a new maturity."

"At the same time he was leaving us in the lurch."

The previous Sunday Lemezina was the toast of Deakin Oval as he banged in five goals in the 8-1 rout of Marconi — a club individual scoring record.

"When I spoke to him after the game he forecast he would

bring his total to 15 before the end of the season.

Sermanni said Lemezina had mentioned the possibility of trying out in Yugoslavia, where he has relatives, several months ago "but it was a one-off conversation and I heard no more about it."

No-one at Croatia has any details of the player's exact destination, although there is speculation on Hajduk Split, the Croatian-based club which toured Australia recently.

New NSW Division 2 officials

At the July meeting of the NSW Second Division sub-committee, member clubs elected a new chairman and secretary, following the resignation in June of former chairman Don Morrison, who cited personal reasons for his decision.

The new chairman is David Morrison and the new secretary is Joe Fisher.

David Morrison formerly held the position of secretary, while Joe Fisher, a noted union official, is a prominent member of the rapidly emerging Mount Druitt Town Club.

— PAUL GOODWIN

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WED AUG 1

State League Conference B: North Shore Utd v Blacktown City, Gabbie Stadium 6pm, 7.45pm.

Federation League 3: Lemnos Allstars v Pt Hacking, Seymour Shaw 6.30pm, 8.15pm.

brother Canbec Genc in the 73rd.

To round things off, a penalty, one of many appealed for in a rugged encounter, was converted by Birol Sertbas in the 80th minute to keep Districts right on target for promotion.

RESULTS

Waverley 0 Gladesville-Hornsby 5 (Raguz, Maxwell, G. Williamson, Kelly, Voloder), Southern Districts 4 (A. Genc 2, C. Genc, Sertbas pen.) Rosebery Portugal 0, Dulwich Hill Madeira 1 Manly Warringah 1 (Walton), Fairfield City 0 Granville-Chile 0, Auburn Yugal 0 Petersham Lusitanos 0, Campbelltown Vikings 2 (Nicholls, Disch), Orange Waratah 1 (Analzark), Central Coast 0 Mount Druitt 1 (Close).



NELIO BORGES

TOP SCORERS

12 Barry Walker, Sep Disch, 11 Dennis Duarte, Paul Harriott, 10 Andy Ferris, 9 Graeme Williamson, 8 Leo Ulloa, Ozcan Celik, Paul Pettenon, Remy Galloway, 7 Gurkan Tasdemir, Steve Karavatsakis, Ray Carney, 6 Mark Butler, Darren Stephenson, Birol Sertbas, Paul Corbett, 5 Gary Haele, Jason Gribble, Jimmy Berry, Nelio Borges, Wayne Farnsworth.

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manager won't be short of tasks, as the ASF is now directly responsible for four national teams — the A team as well as the Olympic, Youth and under 17 sides.

The ASF has an important meeting on Saturday morning to finalise the executive's approach to the Bradley Report.

Proposals to modernise the game have been well received Australia-wide.

If the constructive approach continues as expected, the ASF will have the constitutional changes ready for approval at an extraordinary general meeting to be held on September 30.

Mr Constantine added: "The plan is to be extend National League representation across major Australia cities."

"Clubs must know exactly where they stand before the 1990/91 NSL season begins."

NEW SOUTH WALES

STATE LEAGUE 2 GR 1

Southern Dist.	20	14	3	3	47	18	31
Dulwich Hill	20	12	6	2	36	12	30
Fairfield City	20	7	11	2	28	20	25
Petersham	21	7	9	5	20	19	23
Camp'town V.	21	8	6	7	33	34	22
Central Coast	20	9	3	8	24	23	21
Mt Druitt Town	21	7	7	7	22	21	21
Gl'ville H'by	21	7	6	8	24	26	20
Auburn Yugal	21	6	7	6	20	23	19
Gl'ville H'by	20	4	10	6	28	30	18
Waverley	20	6	6	8	26	18	18
Manly W'gah	20	6	5	9	25	26	17
Rosebery	19	6	4	9	28	37	16
Orange War	20	0	3	17	14	54	3

Concord	15	8	2	5	26	13	18
Nineveh Eagles	14	8	2	4	24	16	18
Rooty Hill	15	8	1	6	29	23	17
Colo Colo	15	7	1	7	27	23	15
Hajduk	13	7	1	5	26	29	15
Arnccliffe	16	4	4	8	15	26	12
Croatia Syd	15	2	12	12	51	5	5
Belmore Her	15	1	13	14	51	3	3

FEDERATION LEAGUE 5

GRADE 1

West Dist.	17	14	2	1	57	21	30
Macquarie Uni	16	10	2	4	39	25	22
Ashour Star	17	8	5	4	33	31	21
Prospect Utd	15	9	1	5	26	19	19
Sporting Peru	14	9	0	5	32	26	18
Alexander	15	6	4	5	34	29	16
Lithgow	17	6	2	9	26	28	14
CSI Schofields	14	6	0	8	29	33	12
Sydney Uni	16	5	2	0	25	31	12
Chile Sports	16	5	1	10	19	38	11
GNS United	16	4	1	11	16	30	9
Maccabi	15	2	0	13	14	41	4

FEDERATION LEAGUE 5

GRADE 2

Sydney Uni	15	12	3	0	60	9	27
West Dist H.	10	12	1	3	39	18	25
Alexander	15	8	4	9	42	23	20
Prospect Utd	14	8	6	2	31	15	18
Macquarie Uni	15	8	2	5	32	19	18
Sporting Peru	14	5	4	5	21	25	14
Lithgow	17	5	3	0	20	32	13
CSI Schofields	14	5	2	7	22	26	12
Chile Sports	16	4	2	8	17	37	10
Maccabi Hk	14	3	3	8	17	24	9
Ashour Star	17	4	1	12	20	63	9
GNS United	16	3	1	12	20	50	7

FEDERATION LEAGUE 6

GRADE 1

Pagewood Bkt	16	11	2	3	39	17	24
Penrith	16	10	4	2	30	16	24
Assyrian	16	7	5	4	22	17	19
Abruzzi	17	6	5	6	31	32	17
Fogolar Furlan	15	6	4	5	27	18	16
St Josephs	16	4	4	8	27	34	13
New Welcome	16	4	4	6	21	23	16
Balmaln	14	7	1	6	33	24	15
Liverpool City	15	6	3	6	23	24	15
Pontian Eagles	16	6	2	8	25	34	12
Liverpool City	16	4	1	10	19	31	9
Cobrolos	16	1	3	12	15	51	5

FEDERATION LEAGUE 6

GRADE 2

Liverpool City	15	12	3	1	47	14	28
Penrith	16	11	3	2	37	13	25
Pagewood Bkt	16	7	5	4	39	22	19
Abruzzi	17	7	4	8	27	15	18
Balmaln	14	8	2	4	30	22	18
Liverpool City	15	7	3	5	49	26	17
Fogolar Furlan	15	6	4	5	33	23	16
New Welcome	16	7	2	7	35	31	16
Pontian Eagles	16	6	3	7	26	33	15
St Josephs	16	5	4	7	19	23	14
Assyrian	16	1	2	13	10	63	4
Cobrolos	16	0	0	15	9	78	0

WOMENS 1ST DIVISION

GRADE 1

North Ryde RSL	11	8	3	0	26	6	19
Melita Eagles	11	7	2	2	24	4	16
Liverpool City	12	6	1	5	20	18	13
Mt Druitt Town	9	3	2	4	14	24	8
Milawarra	13	2	2	9	15	38	6
Epping Eastwood	10	2	0	8	19	4	4

WOMENS 2ND DIVISION

GRADE 1

Gl'ville Raven	8	6	1	1	12	5	13
Melita Eagles	10	5	1	4	19	15	11
Liverpool City	8	4	1	3	22	15	9
Epping Eastwood	9	2	3	4	13	28	7
North Ryde RSL	8	1	2	6	9	14	4

FEDERATION LEAGUE 4

GRADE 2

Transandinos	17	11	3	3	32	13	25
Spanish Club	17	8	3	6	34	22	19
Hawkesbury	16	6	7	3	30	20	19
SSC Zagreb	16	8	2	6	31	17	16

STATE LEAGUE ONE

Marconi v BHP Austral	1-2	0-3
Rockdale Ilinden v Sydney Olympic	1-0	2-0
Sydney Macedonia v Warringah	1-0	3-3
Avala v Wollongong City	1-4	2-0

STATE LEAGUE: ONE CONFERENCE B

Canterbury v St George	1-1	3-0
North Shore Utd v Inter Monaro	2-1	1-1
Wollongong Mac v Sutherland Shire	2-0	0-2
Polonia v Blacktown City	1-1	0-0

STATE LEAGUE TWO

Waverley v Gladesville	0-5	3-2
Dulwich Hill v Manly Warringah	1-1	2-2
Campbelltown v Orange Waratahs	2-1	3-0
Central Coast v Mt Druitt	0-1	3-0
Fairfield City v Granville Chile	0-0	1-1
Auburn Yugal v Petersham	0-0	0-0
Southern Dist v Rosebery	4-0	3-1

FEDERATION LEAGUE THREE

Canterbury Dist v Mt Pritchard	0-2	1-2
Bathurst '75 v North Ryde	0-2	1-1
Mt Pritchard v Lemnos Allstars	5-0	2-1
Concordia v Port Hacking	0-1	0-3
Hills United v Canterbury Dist	0-1	2-2
Cyprus United v Bankstown	1-0	0-1
West Wanderers v Uni of NSW	2-1	0-0

FEDERATION LEAGUE FOUR

Rooty Hill v SSC Zagreb	1-1	1-0
Transandinos v Hawkesbury Dist	3-2	3-0
Rooty Hill v Concord Juniors	0-1	2-1
Arnccliffe v Nineveh Eagles	1-1	0-2
SSC Zagreb v Spanish Club	1-1	2-3
Belmore Hercules v Colo Colo	0-1	aban

FEDERATION LEAGUE FIVE

Macquarie Uni v Ashour Star	2-3	1-1
Sydney Uni v Alexander	1-1	2-0
Prospect United v Lithgow Workmen	1-0	2-0
GNS United v Maccabi Hakoah	1-0	1-4
Chile Sports v W.D. Hellas	1-4	

FEDERATION LEAGUE SIX

Liverpool City v Abruzzi	1-2	1-5
Cobrolos v New Welcome	4-1	0-3
Pagewood v Balmaln	3-1	3-1
Abruzzi v St Josephs	4-2	0-1
Assyrian v Penrith	1-1	1-4
Fogolar Furlan v Pontian Eagles	4-0	0-0

STATE WOMENS LEAGUE: ONE

Melita Eagles v Milawarra	4-1	
Mt Druitt v Liverpool City	3-0	
North Ryde RSL v Epping Eastwood	3-2	

STATE WOMENS LEAGUE: TWO

Melita Eagles v Gladesville	0-1	
North Ryde v Epping Eastwood	1-1	

SOCCER POOLS



THIS WEEK'S MATCH LIST WEEK 261 SAT. 28th JULY, 1990

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VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	ESSENDON	KNOX CITY	6
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	BRIGHTON	SUNBURY UTD.	7
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	DONCASTER	CLIFTON HILL	8
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	DANDENONG	COBURG	9
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	KEILOR	BELL PARK	10
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	CHELSEA	WAVERTLEY	11
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MATCH RESULTS

WEEK 260 SAT. 21st JULY, 1990

VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	MORWELL	MOOROOLBARK	1	3-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	CAULFIELD CITY	HEIDELBERG U.	2	0-3
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	PT. MELBOURNE	SANDRINGHAM	3	0-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	DOVETON	MORDIALLOC	4	1-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	ESSENDON	BR'DMEADOWS	5	1-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	KNOX CITY	SPRINGVALE C.	6	1-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	NUNAWADING	RINGWOOD U.	7	4-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	WAVERTLEY	RICHMOND	8	0-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	BELL PARK	CHELSEA	9	0-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	COBURG	KEILOR	10	0-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	CLIFTON HILL	DANDENONG	11	5-3
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	SUNBURY UTD.	DONCASTER	12	1-1*
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	BRIGHTON	GEELONG	13	0-0*
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	ATHENA	NORTH PERTH	14	7-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	STIRLING MAC.	SPEARWOOD	15	2-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	KWINANA	KELMSCOTT	16	0-2
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	BALGA	INGLEWOOD	17	1-2
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	EAST PERTH	BASSEDEAN	18	0-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	COCKBURN	WANNEROO	19	1-2
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	FREMANTLE B.	SWAN CRAC.	20	6-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	FORRESTFIELD	ROCKINGHAM	21	0-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	GOSNELLS	MORLEY	22	3-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	STIRLING T.P.	MELVILLE	23	2-3
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	HELLAS	WOODVILLE	24	3-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	CROATIA	AZZURI	25	0-0*
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	CUMBERLAND	W.T. BIRKALLA	26	2-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	MODBURY	POLINA	27	3-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	PT. ADELAIDE	ADELAIDE C.	28	0-4
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	LION GRANGE	SALISBURY	29	0-0*
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	CENTRAL DIST.	BLACKWOOD	30	0-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	ENFIELD C.	CAMPBELLTOWN	31	4-4*
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	NOARLUNGA	SEAFORD	32	3-9
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	OLYMPIANS	ELIZABETH	33	3-2
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	PARA HILLS	OMONIA	34	2-1
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	OLYMPIC	WEST SUBURBS	35	2-2*
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	DEVONPORT	JUVENTUS	36	4-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	GEORGE TOWN	EAGLES	37	1-0
VICTORIAN LEAGUE DIVISION 1	ST. LEONARDS	ULVERSTONE	38	1-1



THE POOLS RESULTS HISTORY AT 23/7/90 — WEEK 260

NO. OF TIMES EACH NUMBER OCCURRED	NO. OF WEEKS SINCE EACH NUMBER OCCURRED
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Results History is from Week 38, the start of Six from 38 Pools

RESULTS OF WEEK 260 SAT 21 JULY, 1990

Total Prize Pool is \$222,832.00

Winning Match Numbers (in numerical order): 12, 25, 29, 31, 35,

Supplementary Number: 13

Division 1

The Prize Pool is \$150,000.00
1 Provisional winner of \$150,000.00.

Division 2

The Prize Pool is \$4,167.00
1 Provisional winner of \$4,167.00.

Division 3

The Prize Pool is \$12,502.00
56 winners of \$223.25ea

Division 4

The Prize Pool is \$31,186.00
2,712 winners of \$11.50ea.

Division 5

The Prize Pool is \$24,975.00
2,700 winners of \$9.25ea

VICTORIA

VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	Bentleigh Green	17	11	5	1	35	15	27
VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	Altona City	17	11	3	3	28	24	25
VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	Holland Park	17	10	4	3	31	14	24
VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	Sandringham	17	9	5	5	31	23	21
VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	Lalor United	17	7	5	5	28	21	19
VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	Clarendon	17	7	5	5	18	12	18
VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	Heidelberg City	17	5	7	5	15	17	17
VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	Moorebank City	17	5	5	5	19	23	17
VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	Carra-Geeelong	17	5	5	5	29	26	16
VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	El. Dam Valley	17	4	5	5	19	23	13
VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	Clayton	17	3	7	7	22	29	13
VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	Mornington	17	4	1	12	25	39	9
VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	Yarraville	17	1	7	9	24	9	9
VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS	Springvale Utd.	17	3	3	11	14	43	9

VIC DIV TWO FIRSTS

Brighton	17	11	2	4	31	21	24
Ball Park	16	7	8	1	29	10	22
Keilor	16	10	1	5	35	17	21
Clifton Hill	17	4	5	4	22	17	21
Cheltenham	17	6	5	3	30	25	19
Doncaster	17	6	5	5	25	23	18
Waverley City	17	6	5	5	23	18	17
Worribee	17	5	7	5	28	25	17
Geelong	17	6	4	7	21	21	18
Sandringham	17	5	5	5	27	27	15
Thornbury	17	6	3	8	28	32	15
Rusden	17	3	5	5	8	18	11
Colong	15	4	2	9	14	35	10
Ringwood Utd.	17	2	4	11	13	39	8

QUEENSLAND

as at July 15

XXXX LEAGUE

Bris Lions	16	11	3	1	32	7	36
Bris City	16	9	4	3	34	17	31
North Star	15	7	7	1	42	23	28
Eastern Sub	16	7	4	5	25	20	25
Taringa Rovers	15	6	7	2	20	16	25
Pine Rivers	13	7	1	5	29	26	22
Rochdale Rovers	16	8	4	6	21	29	22
Acacia Ridge	17	8	0	11	26	39	18
Coastal	15	4	2	9	14	26	14
Mt Gravatt	15	4	0	11	16	26	12
Grange This	15	2	6	7	16	30	12
Olympic Utd	16	9	2	11	13	34	11

DIVISION 3

Annerley	16	9	5	2	33	14	32
Darra Utd	16	7	5	4	33	26	28
Slacks Ck	15	7	4	4	27	13	25
Souths Utd	16	7	4	5	25	20	25
Lutwyche	16	7	4	5	25	25	25
U Valley	15	7	3	5	27	23	24
Kingsridge	15	6	4	5	31	24	22
Radcliffe	15	6	4	5	15	18	22
Beonleigh	14	5	3	6	18	24	18
Brothers	13	4	1	8	11	31	13
Osley	15	3	2	10	16	28	11
Uni of Old	16	1	5	10	15	32	8

DIVISION 4

Albany Ck	16	10	5	1	34	12	35
Griffith Uni	15	8	2	5	24	19	28

NORTHERN

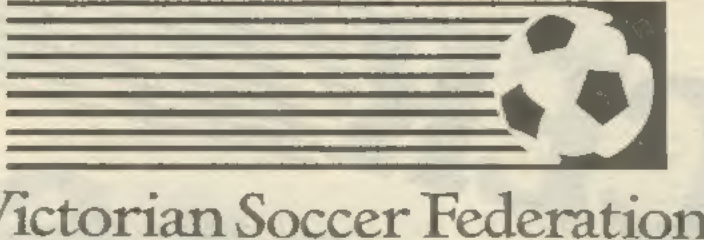
Olympic	16	14	1	1	101	16	43
Launceston	15	11	2	2	74	22	35
Western Sub	16	10	5	1	53	17	35
White Eagles	16	11	2	3	42	16	35
Launceston Juv	15	8	4	3	31	13	28
Ulverstone	15	9	0	6	27	22	27
Devonport City	16	7	5	3	26	22	28
Olympia-SBT	15	7	2	5	30	20	23
Caledonian	15	2	1	12	13	34	7
Crofta Glen	16	1	4	11	13	48	7
Burnie Utd	15	2	1	12	15	52	7

DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
University	19	10	1	2	35	18	31
Metro	13	9	1	3	29	21	28
Taroona	12	8	2	3	36	16	26
Howrah Utd	13	8	0	5	33	25	24
Hobart City	12	7	2	4	32	19	23
Hobart Juve	12	6	2	4	32	20	20
Kingsborough S.C.	12	4	2	5	22	32	14
White Eagles	13	3	5	5	22	20	14
Rapid S.C.	13	4	2	7	23	35	14
South Hobart	13	4	1	8	23	26	13
Caledonian	13	3	2	8	15	32	11
Olympia-SBT	13	2	4	7	24	32	10
Phoenix	13	1	4	8	19	42	7



**SUPPORTS
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VIC SENIORS

VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS		
Devonport	17	12 2 3 27 11 26
Westgate	17	10 4 3 36 16 24
Springvale City	17	10 4 3 38 16 24
Oakleigh	17	10 3 4 31 20 23
Knox City	17	9 5 3 26 21 23
Port Melbourne	17	7 8 2 20 16 22
Western Suburbs	17	5 6 2 20 16 22
Essendon City	17	5 5 7 21 27 16
Nth. Geelong	17	5 4 8 24 26 14
Warrabee	17	5 3 9 17 21 13
Mordialloc	17	5 3 9 10 17 13
North. Polaris	17	2 6 7 22 31 12
Broadmeadows	17	3 3 11 11 24 9
Sandringham	17	1 2 14 10 34 4

VIC DIV ONE RESERVES		
Devonport	17	13 4 0 48 11 30
Nth. Geelong	17	11 2 4 45 23 24
Port Melbourne	17	10 4 3 37 17 22
Oakleigh	15	9 4 2 32 13 22
Knox City	17	8 4 5 38 32 10
Springvale City	17	7 3 7 25 19 17
Broadmeadows	17	7 3 7 34 39 17
Essendon City	17	5 5 7 20 21 15
North. Polaris	17	6 3 8 21 31 13
Western Suburbs	17	5 3 9 35 33 13
Warrabee	16	4 5 7 31 37 8
Sandringham	16	3 2 11 16 32 3
Westgate	15	2 4 9 13 42 8
Mordialloc	17	1 4 12 18 36 6

VIC DIV TWO FIRSTS		
Brighton	17	11 2 4 31 21 24
Bel Park	16	7 8 1 20 10 22
Kellor	16	10 1 5 35 17 21
Clifton Hill	17	8 5 4 23 17 21
Chelms	17	8 3 6 30 25 19
Doncaster	17	6 6 5 25 23 18
Waverley City	17	6 5 6 23 18 17
Nunawading City	17	5 7 5 26 26 17
Geelong	17	5 4 7 21 16 16
Sunbury United	17	6 3 8 27 27 15
Dandenong	17	6 3 8 28 32 15
Richmond	17	3 5 9 18 12 11
Coburg	16	4 2 9 14 35 10
Mordialloc	17	2 4 11 18 39 8

VIC DIV TWO RESERVES		
Clifton Hill	16	12 2 4 43 14 26
Doncaster	17	11 4 2 37 12 26
Waverley City	17	10 3 4 38 20 23
Brighton	17	10 3 4 31 10 23
Kellor	16	9 4 3 38 14 22
Sunbury United	17	9 4 4 27 18 22
Bel Park	17	8 4 5 32 19 20
Dandenong	17	6 4 7 23 18 26
Nunawading City	17	6 3 8 38 24 15
Richmond	17	6 3 8 44 38 15
Geelong	16	4 3 9 25 32 11
Coburg	16	3 0 13 18 54 6
Chelms	17	2 11 14 12 36 8
Ningwood Utd.	17	2 0 15 6 58 4

VIC DIV THREE FIRSTS		
Bentleigh Green	17	11 5 1 35 15 17
Altona City	17	11 3 3 38 24 14
Holland Park	17	10 4 3 31 14 24
Seaford United	17	9 3 5 33 21 19
Laford United	17	7 5 5 28 21 19
Clarend	17	7 5 5 16 12 19
Heidelberg City	17	5 7 5 15 17 17
Moorabbin City	17	8 5 6 19 23 17
Corio-Geelong	17	5 6 6 29 26 16
ELDM Valley	17	4 5 8 19 23 13
Clayton	17	3 7 7 22 29 13
Mornington	17	4 12 25 35 11
Yarraville	17	1 7 9 24 9 9
Springvale Utd.	17	3 3 11 14 43 9

VIC DIV THREE RESERVES		
Laford United	17	11 4 2 26 17 26
Moorabbin City	17	11 3 3 49 18 25
Altona City	17	12 0 3 30 24 24
Clayton	17	10 2 5 39 13 22
Seaford United	17	9 4 4 34 19 22
ELDM Valley	17	9 2 6 37 29 20
Clarend	17	8 1 8 27 17 17
Heidelberg City	17	6 3 8 33 15 15
Moorabbin City	17	8 5 6 19 23 17
Corio-Geelong	17	5 6 6 29 26 16
ELDM Valley	17	4 5 8 19 23 13
Clayton	17	3 7 7 22 29 13
Mornington	17	4 12 25 35 11
Yarraville	17	1 7 9 24 9 9
Springvale Utd.	17	3 3 11 14 43 9

VIC DIV FOUR FIRSTS		
Pascoe Vale	17	12 3 2 38 22 27
Oakleigh Sub.	17	11 4 2 35 17 25
Regent	17	11 3 3 40 17 25
East Brunswick	17	9 5 3 36 14 23
Spring Condors	17	9 3 5 29 12 21
More Park Rang.	17	7 6 4 24 24 20
Hawthorn	17	8 2 7 29 18 16
Karingal Utd.	17	6 4 7 28 36 16
Langwarrin	17	5 5 7 14 18 15
Hamlyn Rangers	17	3 7 7 17 29 13
Fernvale Gully	17	2 6 9 16 32 10
Boronia	17	3 4 10 20 42 19
Rosanna	17	3 3 11 17 36 9
Yallourn	17	1 3 13 15 40 5

VIC DIV FOUR RESERVES		
East Brunswick	17	15 1 1 39 14 31

Spring Condors	17	12 3 2 50 15 27
More Park Rang.	17	8 7 2 34 19 23
Langwarrin	17	10 1 6 40 21 21
Karingal Utd.	17	8 4 5 38 18 20
Hamlyn Rangers	17	9 2 6 32 23 20
Pascoe Vale	17	6 4 7 19 28 14
Boronia	17	4 6 7 19 26 14
Rosanna	16	5 3 8 21 25 13
Hawthorn	17	6 1 10 33 44 13
Fernvale Gully	17	4 4 9 21 36 12
Oakleigh Sub.	16	5 1 10 28 29 11
Regent	16	4 1 11 11 26 9
Yallourn	16	1 2 13 5 64 4

VIC DIV ONE FIRSTS		
South Warrabee	18	10 4 4 44 25 24
Cranbourne	17	11 2 4 24 9 26
Sth. Dandenong	17	9 5 3 42 22 23
Nth. Sunshine	18	9 5 4 31 18 23
Altona East	18	8 5 5 24 19 21
Malvern City	17	7 5 5 25 20 19
Williamstown	18	5 9 4 23 24 18
Forest Hill	17	8 2 7 34 25 18
Melton	18	6 6 7 33 29 16
Gerrard City	18	4 7 7 25 24 15
Bruswick City	19	4 7 8 20 35 15
Westvale	19	4 7 8 18 33 14
East Geelong	17	3 8 8 17 25 14
Mossfield Ranger	18	3 5 10 17 38 11
Keysborough	18	2 5 11 15 47 9

VIC DIV ONE RESERVES		
Malvern City	16	12 3 1 55 28 27
Westvale	18	9 6 3 24 21 24
Williamstown	18	9 5 4 36 30 23
Sth. Dandenong	16	10 1 5 35 19 21
Altona East	17	9 3 5 41 30 21
Melton	18	7 4 3 31 23 21
Mossfield Ranger	18	9 3 6 27 24 18
Nth. Sunshine	17	6 6 5 27 24 18
South Warrabee	17	6 5 6 34 30 15
Bruswick City	18	6 3 9 29 30 15
Cranbourne	17	5 3 9 36 37 13
East Geelong	17	4 7 9 23 36 11
Forest Hill	17	3 5 9 26 36 11
Keysborough	18	3 2 13 24 45 8
Bruswick City	18	2 4 12 21 48 6

VIC DIV TWO FIRSTS		
Frankton Utd.	19	16 1 2 51 18 33
Sth. Springvale	19	14 4 1 42 14 32
Ascot St. Marks	19	12 4 3 39 16 25
Laford	19	11 5 3 37 17 27
Lyndale Utd.	19	11 3 5 40 27 25
Meadow Park	19	11 3 5 37 34 25
Bairford	19	10 4 5 31 19 24
Orinons	19	7 4 8 23 28 18
Grand Park	19	6 5 8 23 25 17
Waverley Utd.	19	6 4 9 24 16 24
Fitzroy City	19	4 4 11 19 29 12
Port United	19	3 6 10 21 37 12
R. Wood Rovers	19	3 5 11 17 39 11
Utd. of Melb.	18	2 4 12 19 36 8
South Yarra	18	1 5 13 13 38 7
Kew Eagles	18	2 3 13 19 52 7

VIC DIV TWO RESERVES		
Frankton Utd.	19	16 1 2 51 18 33
Sth. Springvale	19	14 4 1 42 14 32
Ascot St. Marks	19	12 4 3 39 16 25
Laford	19	11 5 3 37 17 27
Lyndale Utd.	19	11 3 5 40 27 25
Meadow Park	19	11 3 5 37 34 25
Bairford	19	10 4 5 31 19 24
Orinons	19	7 4 8 23 28 18
Grand Park	19	6 5 8 23 25 17
Waverley Utd.	19	6 4 9 24 16 24
Fitzroy City	19	4 4 11 19 29 12
Port United	19	3 6 10 21 37 12
R. Wood Rovers	19	3 5 11 17 39 11
Utd. of Melb.	18	2 4 12 19 36 8
South Yarra	18	1 5 13 13 38 7
Kew Eagles	18	2 3 13 19 52 7

VIC DIV THREE FIRSTS		
Bairford	19	12 4 3 52 20 28
Meadow Park	19	11 5 3 39 27 27
Ascot St. Marks	19	12 1 6 43 25 25
Sth. Springvale	19	10 5 4 33 20 25
Frankton Utd.	19	10 4 5 31 12 24
Utd. of Melb.	19	10 3 5 36 21 24
Fitzroy City	19	9 1 8 39 44 19
Waverley Utd.	19	7 4 8 30 30 18
Laford	19	6 5 8 33 25 17
Lyndale Utd.	19	6 5 7 26 17 27
Brinsford	19	5 6 8 29 26 16
Port United	19	7 2 9 22 41 16
South Yarra	19	6 3 10 36 42 15
R. Wood Rovers	19	4 6 10 26 33 14
Brandon Park	19	4 5 10 26 33 14
Kew Eagles	19	4 3 15 14 57 3

VIC DIV THREE RESERVES		
Wandine	19	13 2 4 47 17 28
St. Kilda	19	11 5 3 32 18 27
Manly Utd.	19	12 2 4 39 21 26
Hampton Park	19	12 2 4 39 21 26
Carmen Utd.	19	11 4 4 26 23 26
East Richmond	19	9 5 4 25 22 23
Nth. Clayton	19	9 2 8 25 21 29
Batman Utd.	19	7 5 7 34 35 19
Glenroy	19	8 1 9 29 35 19
Mitcham Utd.	19	7 7 34 31 17
Riversdale	19	5 5 9 23 32 15
Monbulk	19	6 3 10 30 41 15
More Sparrows	19	5 3 11 23 41 11
Sunshine Park	19	4 3 12 21 41 11
Monash Utd.	19	3 4 11 25 49 7
Bosmanville	19	3 1 15 19 65 7

VIC DIV FOUR FIRSTS		
Monbulk	19	11 7 1 40 14 29
Glenroy	19	12 3 4 53 26 27
Batman Utd.	19	11 4 4 50 31 26
Riversdale	19	9 7 3 38 22 25
Monbulk	19	10 4 4 58 19 24
East Richmond	19	10 4 5 51 39 24
Rosanna	19	9 4 6 35 24 24
Nitcheam Utd.	19	7 5 5 33 25 19
Sunshine Park	19	9 2 8 32 29 29
Hampton Park	19	8 3 8 31 25 19

Mentone Utd.	18	5 6 7 37 34 16
St. Kilda	18	6 4 8 28 31 16
Carmen Utd.	19	5 0 14 28 62 10
More Sparrows	19	3 3 13 28 54 9
Nth. Clayton	19	3 3 13 24 58 9
Bosmanville	19	2 1 16 15 60 5

VIC AMATEUR FIRSTS		
Waverley Wund.	15	11 2 2 57 28 24
Old Scotch	15	10 2 3 54 21 22
Diggers Rest	16	7 6 3 35 20 20
Hawthorn Utd.	16	7 4 5 38 30 18
Collingwood	16	7 4 5 33 30 18
Oakleigh Utd.	15	7 2 6 33 34 16
Kellor Utd.	16	5 4 7 34 37 14
Northern Utd.	16	3 7 6 24 41 13
Balwyn	16	5 2 9 34 36 12
Latrobe Utd.	15	5 2 8 25 43 12
B. Meadows Utd.	15	3 5 7 25 45 11
Phillip Inst.	15	1 4 10 28 65 6

VIC AMATEUR RESERVES		
Old Scotch	16	13 1 2 55 20 27
Balwyn	16	12 2 2 57 21 28
Waverley Wund.	16	7 4 5 38 30 18
Oakleigh Utd.	16	7 4 5 33 30 18
B. Meadows Utd.	16	6 5 5 30 34 17
Collingwood	16	6 5 7 43 36 16
Hawthorn Utd.	16	5 4 7 28 41 13
Kellor Utd.	15	5 4 6 24 33 14
Phillip Inst.	16	5 4 7 27 37 14
Diggers Rest	16	5 2 9 37 52 12
Latrobe Utd.	16	4 9 3 26 44 10
Northern Utd.	16	1 2 13 18 54 4

VIC AMATEUR TWO FIRSTS		
Malvern Lumina	16	13 1 2 43 16 27
Inter City	16	11 3 2 38 16 25
Creston	15	8 7 0 38 14 23
Melb. Utd.	16	8 4 4 35 22 20
Mascabi	16	8 3 5 35 28 19
Utd. of Melb.	16	7 3 5 44 29 17
Endeavour Hills	16	6 4 6 39 26 16
Camb. Grammar	16	4 5 7 24 32 13
Diamond Valley	16	6 1 9 25 34 13
R.M.I.T.	16	4 1 11 22 41 9
Furlan	16	1 2 13 17 54 4
Concorde	16	1 2 13 18 62 4

VIC STATE FIRSTS				
Groydon City	27	17	7	3 48 24 41
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Levent	27	16	5	5 43 19 37
Lawmaker	27	14	5	8 43 30 33
Green Gully	27	14	3	10 45 30 31
Union	27	12	7	8 30 24 31
Julietts	27	12	7	8 38 34 31
Thornestown	27	12	7	9 32 34 31
Merwell	27	9	11	7 39 29 28
Unions Gate	27	8	11	8 31 30 27
Castfield	27	10	8	11 36 39 25
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St.Almonds	27	8	8	11 27 32 24
1,Bour City	26	7	9	10 25 31 23



Box Hill still without a win after 27 rounds

BY GREG BLAKE AND DAVID BULLOCK

BOX Hill's horrendous run of 27 State League games without a win continued on Sunday when it went down 2-0 away to lacklustre Fawkner.

Despite a courageous performance from the Hillmen to keep Fawkner scoreless until half-time, the league's basement side was swept aside by a two-goal second half strike by Danny Stevanecvic.

Box Hill's defence and midfield held its own against the top four side, particularly before the break, but the lack of a class forward told on the struggling Hillmen.

Fawkner, which had made hard work of the first 45 minutes, finally went ahead in the 61st minute when Stevanecvic reached a Roy Walsh cross and managed to spear a first-time shot through the keeper's hands, with the ball eventually rolling lazily over the line.

Stevanecvic struck again 15 minutes later after being set up by the livewire Sammy Emmanuelle.

"They played well — I'm really surprised they (Box Hill) are so low on the ladder," was the comment from the Fawkner camp after the game.

CROYDON 3 BULLEEN 1

League leader Croydon City tuned up for its blockbuster against Heidelberg next weekend by dismissing Bulleen's late-season top four charge with a 3-1 win.

Croydon isn't without its worries despite Sunday's emphatic win against a well-performed opponent.

Player-coach Ian Dobson and Goran Runje left the field after suffering injuries against Bulleen and will only be available for the Heidelberg clash if they pass late week fitness tests.

David Klepac got Croydon away to a flying start on Sunday with a goal after just nine minutes play but Bulleen struck back for a deserved equaliser three minutes from half-time when John McKinlay saved from Fabio Incantalupo, but Darren Tuck was on hand to ram home the rebound.

"Bulleen were the better team to half-time," Croydon boss Dobson conceded after the game.

"They are a good team but once we scored our second goal I

think we got on top."

Croydon took a 65th minute lead when Klepac scored his second goal of the game and Andy Humble made it 3-1 some 14 minutes from time after a goal-mouth clash which left Bulleen keeper Mauro Raponi on the turf and unable to see out the 90 minutes.

Nick van Egmond started the move from defence before sending Klepac away to put the ball into the path of Humble and set up a 50-50 situation between Humble and Raponi.

After a heavy clash Humble strode around the prone keeper to clip the ball into the net.

Raponi was carried from the field and replaced between the sticks by Corrado Nobile.

Dobson wasn't getting carried away by his club's win but said Croydon would be going to Heidelberg next week 'to win.'

"We have no fears — we are now playing to our potential."

B. JUVENTUS 2 NORTHCOTE CITY 1

Brunswick Juventus, still very much an outsider in the championship race, cruised to an easy 2-1 win over a disappointing Northcote City on Sunday.

Despite the ease of the win, Juventus coach Terry Hennessey conceded that winning the title from the club's present position would be difficult.

Juventus, which must rely on Croydon and Heidelberg to drop points in the run home, is, according to Hennessey, trying to play catch-up.

"That's the problem," said Hennessey.

"We've been behind the eight-ball from day one and we just cannot afford to lose another game.

"I suppose all we can do is our best and win as many games as possible."

Juventus had few problems with a Northcote side which is plagued by problems both on and off the field.

Northcote put little pressure on the top four side and committed Juventus, which had wasted its first half opportunities, finally took a 53rd minute lead when Reno Minichiello scored with a brilliantly taken freekick.

Brian McNichol and Sean Lane were both left claiming Juve's second goal, scored on the hour after Darren Byrne's shocking back-



Phil Stubbins of Heidelberg wins this aerial duel from Caulfield's Con Pappas — Photo courtesy Melbourne SUNDAY SUN.

pass had lobbed over his own goalkeeper's head.

McNichol ran onto the ball and got away a shot as he was dragged down by Turudia and Lane raced in to follow the ball up and over the line.

Northcote scored a late consolation goal when George Tsangas struck with less than 10 minutes left on the clock.

MELBOURNE JUST 0 ST ALBANS 1

In a dreary outing with little at stake, St Albans got up by the only goal of the game against Melbourne JUST at a windswept and near-deserted Schintler Reserve on Sunday.

Jules Eres grabbed St Albans' winner just 25 minutes into the forgettable encounter as the visiting side took full advantage of the strong breeze.

JUST did likewise after the break but couldn't break back despite twice hitting the woodwork.

The closest JUST came was an 85th minute scissor kick by Retre which was palmed down by Vunderl and Kitanovski put the rebound against an upright.

Tom Karic had earlier

hit the crossbar with a freekick.

CAULFIELD 0 HEIDELBERG 3

"We were just strong and too experienced" — that was the final analysis from Heidelberg coach Len McKendry after his side had demolished Caulfield in a very one-sided 'Greek' derby.

Heidelberg went into the match without Paul Lewis, the league's leading scorer, and also missing was the experienced trio of George Slifkas, Nick Ouslakis and Garry McDowell, but whatever advantage Caulfield would have hoped to gain was quickly ruled out after only nine minutes.

Angie Goutzoulis, having made an enterprising run, cut back a cross from the left, Phil Stubbins mishit his header at goal, but as the ball spilled free, Willie Herd swooped on it to put away the chance with his left foot.

One minute from half-time, the Bergers extended their lead when referee Chris Bambridge awarded a "soft" penalty against Caulfield keeper, Dean Anastadiadis, after he had brought down Stuart Stevenson inside the area.

Penalty specialist Stuart Cannell made no mistake with the spot-kick as he blasted the ball into the roof of the net to register his ninth goal of the season.

Heidelberg continued to dominate the second half with attacking and attractive soccer, only to be let down by poor finishing and some brilliant keeping by Anastadiadis.

The scoreline was completed in the 83rd minute when a pass from substitute Nick Papadopoulos was met by Goutzoulis, who turned cleverly on the ball to rifle home his shot from inside the box.

FRANKSTON 1 ALTONA GATE 1

In an entertaining encounter, 17th placed Frankston Pines took the game right up to their more fancied opponents and can consider themselves somewhat unlucky to not have grabbed the two points.

After an even first half, Altona Gate finally broke the deadlock in the 70th minute when Vlado Torteviski thundered his free kick through the Frankston Pines defensive wall, giving goalkeeper Lee Davies no chance.

Thirteen minutes later, Frankston equalised when Craig Miller scored from the penalty spot as a result of a crude tackle inside the penalty area.

With only seconds remaining, Pines captain-coach Jimmy Ross found himself in the clear and with only the keeper to beat, mishit his shot wide of goal from five metres.

MORWELL 3 MOOROOLBARK 0

Morwell overcame a brilliant display of goalkeeping from Mooroolbark's Les Long, to register a conclusive victory.

Long's sterling performance kept his side on even footing with the La Trobe Valley outfit until Anthony Cassar broke the deadlock five minutes into the second half.

Cassar, who has been in soccer wilderness for the past three years, finished off some good lead-up work from Gordon Scott to drive home his shot past Long.

Gordon Scott then made it 2-0 when he got on the end off a through ball to cleverly and calmly round Long and plant the ball in the back of the net.

Morwell's third goal resulted from a goal-mouth scramble, in a flurry of activity. Effie Cassar pounced on the loose ball to place his shot into the back of the net.

Morwell's bubbly coach, Bobby McLachlan, was quite pleased with his side's performance and went on to say: "We had so many chances today, I thought we looked very comfortable all afternoon. Long was brilliant in goal for Mooroolbark, but overall I was happy with our performance."

RINGWOOD 0 THOMASTOWN 1

In a fairly lacklustre affair, Thomastown returned to the winners' list against lowly Ringwood City in very overcast conditions.

The solitary goal came in the 65th minute when Russell Athersych made no mistake with his header from close range after several earlier attempts had been thwarted.

After last week's drubbing against Heidelberg, Thomastown coach Kenny Murphy was philosophical about the result.

"I'm happy to get the points. I think we had our chances to win by a lot more but it wasn't to be," he said.

"I'm also happy with the team's performance, considering we were missing six regular players, but full credit to Ringwood for persevering. They did not play as their league position indicates."

GREEN GULLY 3 ALBION 1

Hot and cold Green Gully turned on the heat in an impressive performance against Albion Turk Gucu in blustery conditions on the spacious Gully Reserve.

So many times this season, Green Gully has promised so much, only to come down with a massive thud when you least expect, but after the week's news of possible amalgamation with NSL strugglers Sunshine George Cross the team went about its business in no uncertain terms.

With only 14 minutes gone, Gully took the lead through Kenny Smart who fired home a crisp low shot from a Kevin Harrison header.

Before the crowd had a chance to take in the first goal, Gully struck again, this time Harrison the supplier turned into Harrison the scorer, as he nodded home a crisp pass from Joe Spiteri to bring up his 12th goal of the season.

Gully's third goal came midway through the second half when Harrison played a neat cross to Smart who fired the ball home with a well-struck shot.

Albion made their mark on the scoresheet when Patsaman gave Charlie Sant little chance in the Gully goal with a well-taken shot that sailed into the back of the net.



Juventus' Sean Lane

VICTORIAN STATE LEAGUE

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Heidelberg United	27	18	3	6	52	23	39
B'wick Juventus	27	16	5	6	43	19	37
Fawkner	27	14	5	8	43	30	39
Green Gully	27	14	3	10	45	30	31
Albion	27	12	7	8	30	24	31
Bulleen	27	12	7	8	38	34	31
Thomastown	27	12	7	8	32	34	31
Morwell	23	9	11	7	39	29	29
Altona Gate	27	8	11	8	31	30	27
Caulfield	27	10	6	11	36	39	26
N'cote City	27	10	5	12	39	46	25
St Albans	27	8	8	11	27	32	24
M'bour City	26	7	9	10	26	31	23
R'wood City	27	6	5	16	35	56	17
Mooroolbark	25	5	6	14	21	39	16
F'ston Pines	26	4	6	16	18	50	14
Box Hill	27	0	7	20	14	57	7

What price the Australians?

ASKS MELBOURNE EDITOR, GREG BLAKE



Abbas Saad (left) grimaces as the visiting Moscow Torpedo goalkeeper slips the ball. The players shed blood for the Green and Gold, but they need more recognition in some quarters. The situation is overdue for change.

IS Australian soccer that poorly regarded that it deserves to be subject to derisive comments by even the journalists charged with covering the game in this country? I think not.

Are parochial Aussie soccer followers (such as me) so deluded that we are treated as the game's backwards and retarded cousins? Again, I think not.

Is it essential to bow and scrape in reverence at the mere mention of Italian/German/English football? No way.

And is there a copyright on being passionate about your own country's football? Not that I'm aware of.

So why am I apparently supposed to be embarrassed about Aussie competitions, our national team and our home grown stars?

Answer — I'm not.

But recent experiences indicate that perhaps I should be.

Scenario One (at the office):

The day after Argentina's wretched World Cup semi-final win and England's semi-final defeat.

In passing comment to a normally placid South American journalist I mention that Argentina is lucky to be through to the final.

"You bloody English are all the same — sour grapes because YOUR team missed out," he fires back rather aggressively.

Lesson One: Not ever Anglo-Saxon is English (or Scottish, Welsh or Irish for that matter). I care as much for English football as I do for Latvian, Peruvian or Bavarian football, and that ain't much. I am AUSTRALIAN.

Scenario Two (at the radio station):

"Who do you think will win the World Cup final?" inquires a Greek journalist of yours truly.

Not caring one way or the other I respond with just that.

"Don't really care — the only national team I'm interested in is the Australian national team," says I.

Between giggles and frivolous laughter he has the gall to ask me if I'm serious.

Lesson Two: Of course I'm serious. Guy like this are the first in the queue if AEK or Panathinaikos are playing at Olympic Park but cannot understand that some of us are just as passionate about OUR nation's national team.

Scenario Three (back at the office):

An anonymous caller rings ASW to ask which English team won that country's Third Division last season.

"I'm sorry," I respond.

"I have no idea."

The caller, in a rather superior tone of voice wants to know why, if we are a soccer newspaper, that we do not know such a vital piece of information.

"You may have noted that we are known as Australian Soccer Weekly and therefore, although I can appreciate that for some people English Third Division information is essential reading, we cannot help you," said I.

"Fat lot of use you are," says the caller before crashing down the phone in my ear.

Lesson Three: Never ring the New York Post if you want to know who won the NSW State League or the London Times for Dockerty Cup results. ASW is primarily servicing, you guessed it, the AUSTRALIAN game.

Scenario Four (at the international game):

After years of watching the local press brigade parade their own allegiances at international games (ie Yugoslavs with Partizan lapel badges, Greeks with AEK scarves etc. etc.) your humble correspondent turns up to watch the Socceroos against an international opponent in, gasp, a green and gold scarf.

Incredulous journalists sit open-mouthed and my sanity is questioned roundly.

"Don't forget," I am told, "that you are in the minority here."



Graham Arnold (9) in a do-or-die World Cup battle against Israel.

Lesson Four: Minority be damned. This is a home international for AUSTRALIANS on AUSTRALIAN soil and, probably more so than ever now, I am mighty proud to support the green and gold.

Just as proud as any Englishman, Greek or Yugoslav is of his or her own country of birth. And don't you forget that.

OK, so we haven't the best team in the world, nor do we have the best domestic competition in the world.

But neither do a hundred or so other countries.

It seems that the World Cup manages to arouse the intense patriotic feelings of just about everybody.

And that includes fans of the mighty Socceroos.

From now on I refuse to make any apologies for being a die-hard Aussie fan.

So if I can tolerate the patriotic fervour of every other nationality inhabiting this country, they can allow me the same privilege.

Now roll on 1994 — and let's watch the Socceroos do their stuff.



MacLeod and Rooney work towards Springvale success

BY GREG BLAKE

THEY'RE like chalk and cheese.

He calls him "Fairy" and the retort is "Thug".

They are Gus MacLeod and Jimmy Rooney and together they are plotting the resurrection of Victorian first division club Springvale City.

The thug is, of course, MacLeod, the former block-busting centre-forward of Green Gully's golden days.

Rooney, the former Apia, Marconi and Heidelberg NSL champion and 100 game Socceroo, is, according to big Gus, the fairy.

But as senior coach (MacLeod) and junior coach (Rooney) the pair are working in tandem to pull Springvale out of the hurly-burly of the first division and back into its rightful place amongst the State League elite.

"To tell you the truth, we have enormous respect for each other," says MacLeod of Rooney.

"And that is one of the reasons we work so well together."

Rooney and MacLeod, of course, are only small cogs in the Springvale wheel.

Springvale, one of the truly community based (ie non ethnic based) clubs in Victoria, probably deserves as much respect as any of our southern based NSL clubs.

Not only did it take eventual relegation on the chin at a time when the State 'Super League' fiasco compelled five other clubs in the same predicament to take the VSF to court over the issue.

At the same time it showed its stability at all levels by reappointing MacLeod as coach — making him one of the longest serving in the state with five years at the helm — and got on with the business of actually winning its way back into State League competition.

As a club it is truly acting as a role model to all others with visions of thriving during the 1990s.

Despite struggling near the foot of the State League ladder from 1985 through 1989 Springvale went forward in leaps and bounds behind the scenes.

A repeat of its 1984 first division title this year would be just reward for a club which is setting all the right examples. Springvale can boast:

- being one of only four Melbourne clubs able to stage night games.

- being able to cater for food and drink for



Jimmy Rooney was no stranger to honours during his playing career. He is now teamed up with senior coach and former star Gus MacLeod with Springvale City in Melbourne.

1,000 people on match-days.

- employing a full time secretary to handle club affairs.

- building a 300 capacity grandstand.

- having the strongest junior set-up and most junior teams in Melbourne.

- having its junior teams invited to play overseas.

- having a thriving social club which includes live television beamed into the club of the match going on out on the park (for the women, says Gus).

- And of turning a \$40,000 debt into profit-making venture.

It's one heck of an impressive record and one of which MacLeod and the club are rightfully proud.

But not enough, it seems, to impress the VSF which, despite having laid down strict regulations about the criteria necessary for clubs to be considered for promotion to the top leagues.

Springvale took relegation with dignity but even MacLeod says it will be hard to cop another blow this year should the top league be reorganised and Springvale miss out.

"It's been hard work and two years of struggle for the club and it would certainly be a blow to find out that we couldn't get promoted," MacLeod told ASW.

"Do we have to suffer again and take it on the chin for the sake of the game?"

"I just hope we get the right thing done by us by the VSF."

"Lots of clubs have got their priorities so wrong."

"Here is one club trying so hard to do all the right things and it should be rewarded."

"Go to places like

Port Melbourne, Essendon and Westgate and there is nowhere for spectators to be in comfort.

"At those grounds spectators should be entitled to get their money back."

"Yes, I'd be very disappointed if we did miss out."

"The club has budgeted on going into the State League and it deserves to be there."

"The way I see it the VSF wants to have a super league to make the game better for everyone and if that's the case I agree with it."

"That is why the club is making certain that it does all it can to see that we would be a worthy member of that league."

Everything at Springvale points to it as being one of the premier clubs in Victoria in the future.

With healthy sponsorship, full support from the local council, an impressive ground, constant support from the community (including Greeks, Italians, Dutch, Czechs and Vietnamese) and a stable administration Springvale is set for success.

"And of course Jimmy, in his first year with the juniors here, is doing a marvellous job," says MacLeod of Rooney.

"He is terrific with the kids in his job as overall co-ordinator and I've no doubt that we'll see the fruits of his work in years to come."

"With the visa situation drying up, juniors will become even more important over the next few years and at Springvale there will be no problems."

"As I said, the club is doing everything right to ensure its long-term success."

Heys is Mooroolbark's joker

BY GREG BLAKE

THERE is more than a touch of irony about wee Graham Heys' re-appearance at State League level with Mooroolbark this season than meets the eye.

Mooroolbark will always be remembered as the Melbourne club which had the courage to show the way to other Victorian clubs by joining the NSL back in 1977.

Its first and only season proved disastrous and eventual relegation paved the way for the once proud Newcastle KB United to join the national competition.

Newcastle's first visa vacancy of 1979 was filled by none other than the shaggy red-headed bundle of playful genius, Graham Heys.

And Heys went on to star for nearly a decade at NSL level with four different clubs.

Now out of the lime-light since his last NSL spell with Melbourne Croatia ended in 1988, Heys has returned to lead from the front with Graham French's 'Dad Army' at Esther Park.

The flame-coloured mane is no longer, but the sense of humour remains.

"They take us onto the field in wheel-chairs," he laughs.

"And although there's no truth in the rumour that we have life support systems on standby, there are a few iron lungs on hand for specific players.

"Goodness knows I'm certainly looking for an oxygen mask every now and then



Graham Heys comes up with a ready smile. He is playing out his career with Mooroolbark.

these days."

Heys is making reference to the Barkers' first team which, at first glance, looks like a who's who of State League and NSL football.

If the names of French, Heys, Jimmy Campbell, Bobby Russell, David Brogan and Keith Adams seem like they've been going around for, well, let's just say quite some time, it's because they have.

All are over 33 years of age although Heys is quick to point out that at 34 he is one of the younger veterans.

"A little experience goes a long way," says Heys.

"And we're not too old to be successful either.

"But the main thing is that we're all enjoying it and there is no doubt that there is great camaraderie amongst the players.

"I've had half a season in the State League and I'm really enjoying it," he told ASW.

"It's not as much fun as it might be considering the position we're in, but we're not too far from being a good side.

"I mean it's been ridiculous at some stages because we've had a horrific year with injuries and suspensions.

"At one stage we had eight first-team players all out at the one time."

Unable to resist the temptation, Heys made certain he had at least one shot at his new team mates.

"We're on an incentive scheme at Mooroolbark — not to win the league but just to keep 11 players on the park each week," he says in reference to the club's less than satisfactory disciplinary record.

"The crazy thing is that the day we started the scheme we couldn't even stick to it."

Heys' only regret is not having made the 250 game NSL milestone. He finished on 246 and admits that in the end he just wasn't prepared for the grind of travel or four nights training each week.

"Anyway, it's a younger man's game now," he says.

"They're just kids and they're quicker and faster than they were in my day.

"I'm just happy doing what I'm doing."

Paul Lewis is on target with ambitious Bergers

BY GREG BLAKE

WHEN Sunshine George Cross jumped to the head of the NSL ladder in the first fortnight of the 1989/90 season there were few who would have predicted that that club's season would collapse so dramatically in the months to come.

With new signings and old faces blending to an explosive mix Sunshine won its first two games in impressive style, including a comprehensive 2-0 drubbing of eventual finalist South Melbourne.

Strangely, with less than half the season completed, Sunshine allowed Paul Lewis to move to State League Heidelberg without so much as a whimper.

It wasn't until top scorer Ossie Latif went down with a long term knee injury that Sunshine realised just how much it needed a striker of the calibre of Lewis.

But Lewis, who had been resigned to youth league football for most of his last few weeks at the NSL club, was never going to stay at the club.

Lewis revealed to ASW that a "blow up" with coach Ernie Merrick in the early weeks of the season meant there was little chance of him playing first team at Skinner Reserve again.

And that was despite the team's abysmal scoring record after Latif's dreadful injury.

"We'd won our first two games," says Lewis taking up the story.

"In our third game away at Sydney Croatia we were down at half time and he (Merrick) had a dig at the team and then blasted me like it was my fault.

In front of every one else he said I'd done nothing for the team for the last three games.

"I was angry but I kept my mouth shut.

The next week we were leading St George 2-0 at half time and we all came in all bubbly like.

"Five minutes before we go back on he up and blasts me again.

"When it happened for the second week in a row I blasted him back and that was about it.

"We didn't see eye to eye and things obviously weren't working out.

"I more or less



PAUL LEWIS

asked to go after that and in the end they made it easy for me to go.

"Apparently he (Merrick) had told some of the others that if the blast didn't fire me up nothing would.

"But it actually had the opposite effect."

It's just a touch ironic that Sunshine's season started to sour after that St George game.

Indeed that very day a two goal second half comeback by St George was the first point the Melbourne club had dropped at home for the season.

And, according to Lewis, some still blame the Sunshine coach and his half-time blast for that morale-sapping second half Saints comeback.

While Lewis fell on his feet at Heidelberg his former side went on to score just 18 more goals after his departure in 22 league games.

That 12 of the 18 were scored by players other than out-and-out strikers is a fair indication of just how much Lewis was missed in the end.

But for the player himself, already a recognised 10 goal a season NSL quality striker, there has been no looking back.

Under Len McKendry, his boss previously at Green Gully and South Melbourne, the

Bergers are chasing a State League title and a place back in the NSL.

"Other clubs came in for me but I'd spoken to Heidelberg and I was very happy to move there," he explained.

"It was the best move I could have made.

"It is a club suited to winning things and I'm really enjoying playing in a good team.

"I'm getting involved, enjoying my football more and with most of Len's training revolving around the strikers I'm getting plenty of action.

"It's been a great season for me so far."

Not only is Heidelberg in line for its second State League title in three years in 1990, but Lewis has his sights well and truly on winning the State League top goalscorer award.

After round 25 Lewis led the charts with 16 of the best and although he has little chance of beating his record-breaking 31 goals from his Green Gully days (1983) the pint-sized front man is proving his critics comprehensively wrong.

And his final word on Sunshine George Cross.

"I honestly believe that this Heidelberg side would push them," he says triumphantly.



The crack Victorian trio of, from left to right, George Jolevski, Paul Wade and Ernie Tapai has been selected for national team duty in Eddie Thomson's 1990 Socceroos. Wade provides the experience, Tapai makes a welcome return after a few years in the wilderness and Jolevski is one of the emerging stars of Australian football.

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Maradona's in the news

DIEGO Maradona faces possible criminal charges in one Italian city while another plans to honor him.

A prosecutor has seized a television station's videotape of a scuffle that pitted Maradona and some of his relatives against police.

Prosecutor Lucia Dotti says the footage could produce useful details for an investigation into the incident outside the Argentine World Cup training site at Trngoria near Rome.

Meanwhile, the city of Naples, where Maradona plays for First Division club Napoli and the only World Cup venue where he was not jeered, plans to offer the striker honorary citizenship to make up for the hostility he faced in other Italian cities.

TAFFAREL HAS GONE TO PARMA

BRAZIL's World Cup goalkeeper Claudio Taffarel will play for Italian First Division side Parma next season.

Taffarel, the first foreign keeper to sign for an Italian club, is joining Parma from Brazil's Internacional of Porto Alegre for \$2 million.

Parma squeezed into the First Division for the first time after finishing fourth in division two last season.

Four teams were promoted.

Taffarel is Parma's first foreign signing. First Division clubs in Italy are allowed three foreign players.

In a country which has produced scores of brilliant players but few talented goalkeepers, Taffarel impressed in Brazil's World Cup team before it was eliminated by Argentina in the second round.

Club sources said Taffarel, a former volleyball player, was also being sought by Real Madrid but chose Parma partly on the recommendation of his friend Renan dal Zotto, a volleyball professional with Parma's Maxicono, the Italian champion.

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JOHNNY WARREN HAS HIS SAY

FIFA "happy" with refs



Diego Maradona pleads with Swedish referee Erik Frederiksson, the whistler who overlooked his hand ball against the Soviet Union and was promptly dropped by FIFA.

A record 16 players were sent off in the 1990 World Cup, but FIFA president Joao Havelange claimed the figures demonstrated it was one of the cleanest tournaments in the event's 60 years.

"We are very satisfied with the discipline in matches due to strict application of our rules," he said.

Before the tournament began, FIFA instructed referees to clamp down on tackles from behind and the "professional foul" — defenders bringing down forwards when they are on a clear run

for goal.

Diego Maradona's claim that the referees' yellow card had become a sword of Damocles hanging over players was rejected by Havelange.

Argentina had four players suspended for the final after being cautioned twice in the tournament, and Havelange dismissed the notion that the most important game of football for the next four years was not truly representative.

"The rules are there to protect players. We are not now going to start protecting offenders," he said.

"Players who hurt opponents or infringe on the spirit of the game, who feel no re-

sponsibility for their team or the game, cannot expect leniency."

He said they were pleased with the high standard of refereeing, although Sweden's Erik Frederiksson, one of the game's most experienced officials, did not handle another match after missing

Diego Maradona's handball against the Soviet Union.

There were three matches in which two players were sent off, and the finalists were involved in all three — Argentina v Cameroon, West Germany v Netherlands and the final itself.

No United sale — Edwards

MARTIN Edwards, who looked as though he was going to sell Manchester United last season, has had a change of heart.

While the FA Cup holders' chairman and chief executive has agreed to sell six percent of his capital to fellow directors

which means he loses overall control, he is to retain 44 percent and so will remain in charge.

Edwards, who will gain around \$1.2 million from the sale, said: "I am conscious of the widely-held belief that the ownership of Manchester United should not rest with one individual."

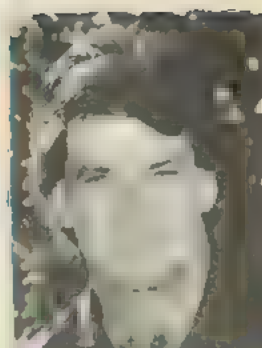
Africa Quest

BRITISH clubs need to take off their blinkers and go scouting for players in Africa, former England hero Bobby Charlton said.

"Cameroon has shown us all there is a vast, untapped reservoir of players," said the former Manchester United forward who won the 1966 World Cup with England.

"I think in the past we might have worried if they would fit in, but there are quite a few good African players with European clubs so perhaps we had better start looking ourselves," said Charlton, now a director of Manchester United.

African Footballer of the Year George Weah comes from English-speaking Liberia but is playing for the French club Monaco. Nigeria's Stephen Keshi is playing for Anderlecht in Belgium, and Abdi Pele of Ghana is with Lyon in France.



UNITED IRELAND

IRISH Prime Minister Charles Haughey says one soccer team should represent the whole of Ireland.

Haughey said after Ireland's honourable quarter-final defeat by Italy that he hopes there would be one team soon.

He says there are single teams in other sports like rugby.

When asked about Irish coach Jack Charlton, Haughey says Charlton may be English but seems more Irish to him than the Irish.

Haughey says Ireland's success in reaching the quarter-finals of their first World Cup finals has made everybody in the country mad about soccer.

"Sporting" World Cup — Blatter

TOUGH refereeing, including a "flood" of cautions and expulsions, helped promote fair play at the World Cup, FIFA general secretary Joseph Blatter said.

"Play has been very sportsmanlike," Blatter said in an interview published in the Zurich newspaper "Tages-Anzeiger".

"The fair play in this game — by everyone, including the spectators — gave me goose pimples," he told the paper.

"Each respected the other. That was beautiful."

Low points were the pre-game stabbing of a German fan in Turin and the overall scarcity of goals in the tournament, he said.

Blatter also defended



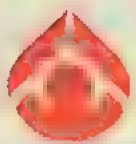
JOSEPH BLATTER

"The flood of yellow and red cards made players less aggressive. That's very welcome."

Blatter said the championship's most positive moment was the bright England-West Germany semi-final.

penalty shootouts as "at least part of the game" and rejected proposals that indefinite sudden-death play replace them.

"Then games could last eight hours," he told the paper.



Tremendous impact at AIS camps

WRITES PETER KONSTO*



THE Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) a unique series of Level two and three coaching courses conducted late last month.

They catered for past and present NSL players and proved to be a great success.

The intensive week long program involved many hours of coaching practice, lectures, seminars and exams, with the average day lasting between nine to twelve hours.

Most of the participants found it mentally and physically draining.

Ex-Socceroo, John Kosmina, expressing most views, said: "I didn't think we'd be working anywhere near this hard."

"It's been difficult and challenging, but



Correspondent and outstanding soccer enthusiast Peter Konsto interviews (from left) John Gardiner (Preston), Ron Smith (AIS head coach), Eddie Thomson (Socceroo coach) and Steve Darby (ACT director) — Photo: IMOGEN COOK

was a general consensus that the facilities were not anything other than outstanding.

At the Institute were more than pleased in having such former and current greats among them.

"The national teams will be using them 95% of the time."

All the coaches agreed that it was important to get NSL players involved in these coaching programs.

Victorian Director of Coaching, Tim White, felt that what Australian soccer lacks is heroes, "... if these players can go out and teach kids the skills of the game and give themselves a higher profile, more interest in the game will be generated."

The ACT's leading coach, Steve Darby, sees the players as

it must be good for the game.

"It will help in our cause of eventually getting compulsory accreditation for all coaches at all levels within the code."

Eric Worthington said: "I'd like to see all NSL players doing these courses because they give you a better understanding of the game."

"You think more about it and become a better player."

He also mentioned that, "with so many approaching the latter stages of their careers as players we would hope that they'd be orientated toward giving something back into the game as coaches at whatever level they feel competent."

Indeed this was expressed by the majority of the players who all felt a desire to put something back into the game.

Adelaide City's Joe Mullen said, "I've got a lot out of soccer and if I can put something back by improving the skills and techniques of youngsters, then I'll do it."

One lucky person allowed to participate in the program without being an elite player was Port Macquarie's, Col Purcell who was brought by ex-Sydney City player, Peter Terry.

Col said that being

LEVEL 3 STAFF

Eddie Thomson
(National Coach and
National Coaching
Director)

John Gardiner
(Preston coach)
HEAD COACH AIS
Ron Smith

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Andrew Bernal
David Clarkson
Robbie Dunn
Robert Hooker
George Kulcsar
Ken Murphy
Steve O'Connor
Jeff Oliver
Alex Robertson
Warren Spink
Mike Urukalo
Joe Watson

LEVEL 2 — STAFF (Group 1)

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Vic
Les Bee — S.D.O.C.
Tas

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John Kosmina
Joe Mullen
Steve Hogg
Jeff Harkham
Alan Davidson
Bernie Lustica

Steve Mautone
Peter Terry
Mike Harrington
Col Purcell
Lenny Vatsilas

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Carlos Buzzetti —
S.D.O.C./SA
Steve Darby —
S.D.O.C./ACT

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Grant Lee
Steve Maxwell
Kevin Hagan
Alan Smith
Simon Romaniuk
Mark Trenter
Jeff Harrington
Matthew Hoare
Greg Dickinson

GUESTS

Ron Tindall (Consultant
Dept. of Sport WA)
Eric Worthington (Former
National
Coaching Director)

* Sydney born Peter Konsto is completing a sports degree in Canberra, and expects to graduate in 1991.



The Level 3 coaching course group and instructors. Pic by courtesy Imogen Cook of the ACT Soccer Federation.

I've learnt a lot and enjoyed it immensely."

Ten of Australia's top coaches attended the courses, including national coach, Eddie Thomson, former national coaching director Eric Worthington and directors of coaching from six states.

There can be no doubt that the standard of the staff coaches helped to make the whole concept a success.

Melbourne Croatia star Alan Davidson said: "What's impressed me is the knowledge of the coaches, and how they break different aspects of the game down."

Davidson who was doing the course on crutches following his recent leg operation saw communicating as a coach his main learning objective.

"As a player you know what you see and what's wrong."

"But the difficulty covers in getting your message across verbally as a coach."

"The secret is communicating as simply and effectively as possible, and that's what I'm here to learn."

Most of the participants had never been to the AIS, and there

With everything from an indoor soccer hall, a full-sized artificial pitch and immaculately kept outdoor fields everybody was more than impressed.

Former Socceroo, Joe Watson, summing up most peoples' impressions of the AIS

"the facilities are incredible, fantastic!"

"These Institute soccer boys must be jumping out of their skins being here."

"I would have been over the moon if this had been around when I was a teenager."

Experience

The scholarship hol-

AIS striker, Kris Trajanovski, stated that he and his fellow team-mates were enjoying being around and learning a lot from the "older guys."

National Director of Coaching and Socceroo coach, Eddie Thomson, gave his seal of approval in the Institute facilities.

"They're perfect! I've been pushing for years for soccer to use them more. They've got everything from accommodation to the medical back-up."

"This will be the home of soccer over the next four years while I'm in charge."



AIS assistant coach and ex-Socceroo Steve O'Connor hasn't yet acclimatised to Canberra. On his left is Kevin Hagan. Pic: IMOGEN COOK

positive role models who help to improve the credibility of coaching.

"If the elite players can support the system around such players

was the best thing that had ever happened to him.

Both Purcell and Terry thought it was important for people from country regions to do such courses and take back with them coaching skills.

They also felt that Australian soccer has neglected country regions.

There can be no doubt that the week was a great success as all those who took part thought it was worthwhile and most beneficial.

The week was financed by the Australian Sports Commission and organisers, AIS head coach, Ron Smith and his assistant Steve O'Connor

should be congratulated on an excellent job.



NSL players (see list) participated in the recent course held at the Australian Institute of Sport. Photo: IMOGEN COOK

Trebilcock's appointment

FORMER FA Cup final medal winner Mike Trebilcock has been appointed the NSW Amateur Federation's regional coach for the Northern Branch, Metropolitan Region.

Trebilcock succeeds Les Bee, who has taken over the Director of Coaching job in Tasmania.

This will give juniors in the north a great opportunity to learn from a skilled practitioner.

Trebilcock's background includes playing for Everton Football Club in the English First Division.

In fact, he scored two goals in the 1966 FA Cup final win against Sheffield Wednesday, bringing the team from the brink of defeat to win the prestigious trophy 3-2.

Mike continued to play in the First and Second Division for a few more years before leaving for Australia to play for the Western Suburbs Soccer Club in Sydney.

1974 was a great season for Mike when he won the coveted NSW Rothmans Best and Fairest Player of the Year for his first season in Australia.

The family moved to Newcastle in 1976, where Mike coached Cardiff Soccer Club



and in fact took all three grades to the finals for the first time in the club's history.

Mike was also appointed coach of the Northern NSW Federation team, holding that position for four years.

The Northern NSW Federation then formed the Northern State League and Mike made the move to coach the strong Stewarts and Lloyds team, winning the grand final in its inaugural year.

After a short break from coaching, Mike was then approached by the progressive Newcastle Croatia Club and during that time took them from the Fifth Division to the Second.

Mike will be responsible for the coaching needs of the area, which will include provision of Level 0 and 1 courses, setting up Level 2 Courses, looking after a country representative team, attending country reps camps and state titles, and generally improving standards throughout the entire area.

Comparisons can be odious

BY MIKE JOHNSON

ARE today's best soccer players better than the top soccer players of yesteryear?

This question was asked of me the other night in aftermath of the World Cup.

My answer was that today's best players were better than those of yesteryear.

I believe generally all sports people today are more accomplished than sports people of days gone by.

Sports people today are like all people to day generally bigger, stronger, faster, more enlightened and with more self esteem.

The elite players also receive more expert, intensive skill development to counter the lack of constant play in their very young years as in days of old.

It is true that few soccer players in Europe or Great Britain today play as much soccer in their young years as did my generation in the late 40s and early 50s.

We never played anything else but soccer before school, at school in the evening, seven days a week.

We were always playing four-a-side, 10-a-side or 19-a-side games in the streets or school yard with a small ball.

Today, most soccer in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales and most of Europe is structured and organised by adults.

However, in Cameroon, Egypt, Costa Rica, Colombia and numerous other underdeveloped countries, they obviously still play continually in the streets and on any patch of ground available to them.

"Third World"

The skill on the ball of players from these "Third World" countries was noticeably better than that of the rest of the players in the World Cup.

They had a deft touches and improvisation, compared to the Africans in

So in that regard, the Brazilians of some time ago were better than today's Brazilians.

However, that is to do with coaching.

The modern Brazilian professional is caught up in the caution and percentage play of Europe.

We never had coaches in my years as a professional player — we just played.

This was good and bad, but the good thing about it was we were, were hamstringing and cautious as are many of today's professional teams.

We were always able to push forward.

I remember a great FA Cup tie between my club Fulham and

Newcastle United which ended in a score of 7-6.

On another occasion, I remember playing Wolverhampton Wanderers in a First Division game. We had beaten them 3-2 at home in a mid-week game.

They beat us 3-0 at their ground a few days later. It would not happen today.

Fulham was losing 5-0 at half time in the second game, but our

— out and he smashed them all around the park.

Today, bowlers would try to contain him until he got himself out.

Such is the change in modern sport.

Today a cricket batsman seldom scores 100 runs in the two hour session before lunch as happened in earlier times.

Seldom do today soccer teams win games 7-6.



Cameroon's players celebrating after defeating Tunisia to qualify for Italia '90.

manager told us we had been playing well.

Modern coaching and defensive organisation allows teams with inferior players to beat teams with superior players.

Superior

Such defensive organisational ability allowed the Australian team under Frank Arok to beat superior teams such as Argentina and Yugoslavia.

This highlights a problem for the modern soccer player, just as the modern rugby union and rugby player.

He has to spend much of his time and energy coping others as well.

Yugoslavia, Australian cricketer — batsman Don Bradman

But the soccer players are better, nevertheless.

They cover far more ground in their dual roles of defender and attacker.

Today all 10 outfield players in soccer defend when their team lose the ball just as in theory the 10 are supposed to attack when in possession of the ball.

That is "total" football.

However, the 10 do not all attack at once or there would be 21 players in the opposition defence with the attackers susceptible to their counter-attacks.

Back players attack selectively and are often

are restricted from going forward by the



caution of coaches who are fearful for their backs knowing three or four in a row can mean the sack in modern soccer.

So soccer scores are low.

None more so than in Italy where the world's best players perform and where 13 goals in a long season is classed as excellent for a world-class striker.

In England where teams still play with some attacking bravado, a First Division striker can score 30-40 goals in a season.

But when he transfers to Italy he cannot handle the tighter marking, the increase in defenders and consequent reduced space and he struggles to reach a double-figure goal tally.

Thus few British strikers have made it in Italy.

As the world's soccer authority, FIFA, seeks for ways for soccer to retain its attraction to the masses, it is imperative that it stamps out the professional and violent fouling of skilful players by defenders.

Directive

FIFA gave a directive to referees in the World Cup that it hoped would contribute to better attacking play.

It did not work.

But it will if persevered with, monitored and studied.

Here in Australia we need to do the same.

The NSW State League through enlightened legislation is now relatively free of pro-

up every technical breach of the laws and they are ruining match-

game.

League there remains much violence and professional fouling.

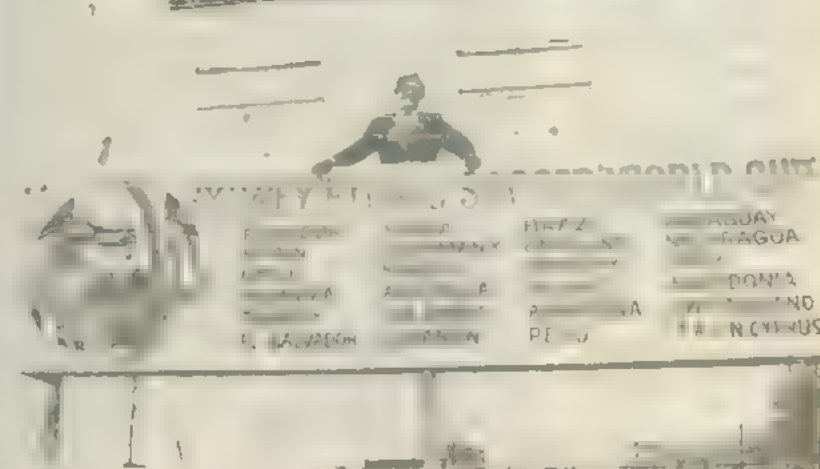
The attraction of soccer unlike rugby league, is not violence and cringing 'hits,' it is constant, seldom interrupted, skilful attacking and defending with numerous strikes at goal.

Interruptions kill soccer, be they for foul or violent play or for a bad referee.

We in Australia, being as we do immense opposition from numerous sports, must allow our soccer players as much uninterrupted time as possible to provide excellent attacking play, along with outstanding, clean defence.

Chit Chat ...

PARSONS MEMORIAL SOCCER GROUND



The man in the picture at Garside Park in the Sydney suburb of Granville is Geoff Williams, who has been the scoreboard attendant there for 24 years. He lends a hand in preparing the pitch for Granville Chile and the Sydney Ethnic World Cup, and is a life member of the Granville club. Born in Broken Hill, he came to Sydney in 1952, and has fond memories of the days when Percy Bigland and Mal O'Neill made Granville of Australia's top sides.

Marconi defender Robbie Wheatley is back at his job as NSW Amateur Soccer Federation development officer after a trip to Europe.

He holidayed in Switzerland and attended the World Cup final in Rome — and wished that it had been as good as many of the earlier games.

The Granville Supporters' licensed club is keen to welcome new members, friends and visitors to their premises at 1 Onslow Street, Granville.

The club is located right at Garside Park, which fronts Parramatta Road, and may be contacted on 637 7099.

Two well-known soccer supporters, Joe and Marin Alagich, have sent kind regards to their Australian friends from Belgrade.

They travelled on to Yugoslavia from the World Cup in Italy.

Simon Ireland, who

and is an instructor for the Wel Coerver coaching programme, has been playing for Blackhaws club in the APSL in the United States.

The competition is in its second year in the western states, covering clubs in cities such as Los Angeles, Denver, Santa Barbara and San Diego.

Recently he linked up with Queenslander Scott Pless who had been with Glasgow Rangers and was involved with the Coerver camp. Playle has headed back to Europe and is aiming to find a club in Belgium or France through his agent.

Austral Park, home of Newcastle's BHP Austral club, is to be re-turfed.

Adjoining property is to be purchased to increase facilities and parking space.

The licensed club restaurant is being improved to become a bigger attraction.

Parramatta Melita supporters were overjoyed with the shock announcement that Andrew Callinan had won a national squad place for the Indonesian tour next month. He has been with the club since 14 years of age.

Tasmanian soccer fans have been pleased that two of their home-grown products, David Clarkson and Luciano Fabrizio, have been retained by Sunshine George Cross.

Unfortunately, Tasmania's two former national team captains, Kurt Reynolds and Dominik Longo, were involved with relegated NSL sides Adelaide Hellas and Blacktown City.

After spending several years in the intensive care unit at St George Hospital, Michael is now convalescing at home and plans a short holiday up north.

All his friends wish him well and look forward to his return next year.

The Jim Kelly Dinner in Wollongong on September 5 rings up the interesting point that it was Kelly who discovered well known coach Richard Alagich at 16 when captaining Woonona-Bulls in an exhibition game against Broken Hill in Broken Hill.

Dean Naudi has taken over as secretary of Parramatta Melita Eagles.

ROBBIE SLATER, the former Sydney

Croatia Soccerroo, will play in France this season, but in the Second Division after failing to make the grade with Anderlecht in Belgium.

SOCCEROO Vlado Bozinovski, who was rated amongst the 10 top foreign players in the Portuguese First Division last season, has been transferred from Beira Mar to glamour club Sporting Lisbon.

FORMER Soccerroo coach and AIS head coach Jimmy Shoulder has been appointed national director of coaching of Wales, in charge of under 17 and 20 national teams.

He beat a strong field that included Mike Smith, ex-coach of Wales and Egypt.

MICHAEL Roberts, the NSW State League referee, was involved in a serious accident while returning from a match at Seymour Shaw Park when a car changed lanes and crashed in front of his

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Stewart's semi-final hopes for Rochedale

A series of major injuries to his squad are set to cruel Rochedale player-coach John Stewart's return season to Queensland soccer.

The former Lions, Preston and Heidelberg National League star took over the coaching reins at Underwood Park this season after Alan Jones was sacked following an indifferent start.

Hopes were high that Stewart would bring success to the young Rochedale side, but fate has worked against him at the critical stage of the season.

In recent weeks Stewart has lost three regular first teamers with serious injuries which are expected to sideline the players for the remainder of the season.

Striker Tom McGregor, Stewart's former Lions team-mate, has been the most unlucky.

He injured his wrist three weeks ago, then agreed to play when injuries depleted the Rochedale ranks.

Within minutes of the kick-off, McGregor fell awkwardly. In trying to protect his wrist, he tumbled onto his shoulder.

The joint was dislocated and required an operation to reset.

Experienced defender Noel Greenhalgh also has been sidelined with a bone break as has young fullback Ian Simpson.

Greenhalgh, the former Brisbane City captain, has had a hand injury while Simpson needed his broken leg pinned.

Stewart admitted the injuries were a setback to his team's semi-final hopes.

"With several of our colts on representative duty, we've been struggling to get full teams in all grades at times," he said.

"But we are still a chance of making the five, unfortunately we have to rely on others for a few upset results."

Although Stewart entered coaching earlier than he had planned on his return to Queensland after a three-year absence, he is happy with the season so far.

Stewart has anchored the Rovers midfield and has led by example on most occasions with his tireless workrate.

"It took me a while



all-round these days."

Although Stewart has an option on a playing contract for next season with Rochedale, his coaching commitment

is presently only to the end of the year.

But he is keen to have a full season as boss next year.

"There's a lot of potential at the club

to adjust to a new league and then get used to a player-coach role, but I'm happy with my form," he said.

Stewart trod on a few toes early in instilling a NSL-type approach to training, but believes his tough rules have proved the right direction for the club.

"It took a while to get my ideas across," he said.

"We previously had a few guys thinking they didn't have to turn up at training all the time, but that soon stopped."

"There were five or six players with a good attitude in the side, the others needed to improve."

"I'm happy in that we are getting better

and now I've set a few things straight, I'd like to go on with it," he said.

While Stewart was among Queensland's better NSL products, and captained the state, he believes it is unlikely he will be part of the Maroons' mooted return to the NSL.

The 31-year-old believes others deserve a chance when the proposed Brisbane United enters the summer league, probably in 1992.

"I would hope that there would be players coming through that would ensure I wasn't needed," Stewart said.

"Obviously if I could help in a small way I would, but I'm happy doing what I am doing now."



Frank Byrne (Easts) trailed by Mark Hairsine (Mt Gravatt).

Rockhampton overcomes Gladstone

BY GARY BAIN

ROCKHAMPTON continued to dominate near neighbours Gladstone with an emphatic 3-0 win over them in a senior representative clash in Gladstone last Wednesday night to retain the Morning Bulletin Cup.

Rockhampton coach, Beran Bingley, said after the game that he was delighted with the way the team had played.

"We had five regulars out and despite only having two runs together still knitted together perfectly."

"There is a tremendous spirit in this team and its a pity there are not more chances for country soccer players to show what we can do."

Players missing for this game were Guy Rigby who has transferred to by Brisbane City in a bid to make the NSL as well as Jason Wyer.

Graham Wilson, David Fox and Lindsay Dean were all injured.

Brad Smith hadn't trained for a month due to injury and an interstate trip but made the trip as a reserve.

Frenchville defender Barry Cunningham was a late replacement and Dingley made a tactical switch pushing him into a striking role with Chris Norton.

The height of these two players was something the Gladstone

defenders were unable to cope with and went a long way towards the Rockhampton win.

Rockhampton started the game in a very positive manner winning a lot of possession in mid-field.

The home team trio and no answer to the strength of Gavin Jenkins, the deft touches of Grant Beevers and the strong running of Darren Jeffries who gave them little opportunity.

Beevers is the dead ball specialist for Nerimbera and it was his probing corner kicks that created Rockhampton best chances.

After 20 minutes one of them taken to the near post saw Tony Close get a touch to Jenkins for an easy tap in to make it 1-0.

The Rockhampton defence was never seriously in trouble and Gladstone only had two chances of equalising in the first half.

Full back John Jardine had a volley that went wide and when Steve Lines was dispossessed by former Rockhampton player Andrew Kiersnowski the shot was easily taken by goalkeeper Ashley Myatt.

Myatt was making his debut for Rockhampton replacing the injured David Fox.

He did his work well particularly when he went high to catch a free kick that left him

gasping for air when he hit the ground.

Gladstone's inability to get forward gave Rockhampton full back Paul Steyger opportunities to venture upfield and five minutes before the break he bruised the goalkeepers hands with a 25 metre drive.

Shortly before half-time Rockhampton made it 2-0 when Chris Norton also had an easy tap in.

Again it was a Beevers free kick that did the damage, but this time Gladstone goalkeeper Bert Fuller was unable to hold the ball to give Norton his chance.

Norton has been in good goal scoring form for Nerimber but has to sit on the bench for the representative team.

The absence of Wyer and Dean gave him his chance and he took it with both hands.

The home side's best period was the first ten minutes of the second half when they split the Rockhampton defence on three occasions.

Brad Smith came on for the last 20 minutes and made inroads into the Gladstone defence before completing the scoring for Rockhampton from the penalty spot after he had been fouled.

The Rockhampton Youth side kept its unbeaten five year record intact with a 1-0 win over Gladstone in the curtainrider.

Close call

The next fortnight could decide the contentious relegation issue in Queensland's XXXX League.

While five rounds still remain, with two teams being relegated this season for the first time the issue could be decided earlier than the last fixture.

At worst, the state of at least one team should be known after critical matches over the next two weekends.

The teams in the relegation spotlight are season-long stragglers Olympic Utd, Mount Gravatt, Grange Thistle and Coalstars.

After Lions, Coalstars host Grange Thistle. The coalminers can give themselves a relegation buffer and send Thistle into deeper trouble with a win.

A loss would put Grange as favourite to miss the drop and leave Coalstars having to beat sides placed above it in the final rounds to survive.

Thistle, who have produced several upset results in recent months after a horror start to the season can play their way out of trouble over the next three weeks.

It is possible Thistle could collect seven points in the next month which could put them safely mid-table — which would be their highest finishing position in years.

It is ironic that for Mount Gravatt to miss the other relegation place, they have to beat their former State League trophy rivals Thistle when they clash at Canham Park on August 10.

The match is Mount Gravatt's best remaining chance of three points.

Bundaberg and Rockhampton could join Intercity

BY PAT McERLEAN

THE Insurance Exchange of Australia Inter-City series between Brisbane, Ipswich, Gold Coast and Toowoomba has been won by Brisbane.

In the final round of the series, played at Perry Park last Thursday evening, Brisbane defeated Ipswich 5-0.

Toowoomba defeated Gold Coast, who won the series last year, 4-3.

This was the first year Toowoomba had been included in the series and played well to defeat last year's title holders Gold Coast in the final game of the IEA series.

Plans to expand the IEA Inter-City competition are being looked at for the 1991

Rockhampton and Bundaberg could be additions next year.

Tahiti's late withdrawal from the South Pacific Cup tournament scheduled for Brisbane early August has forced the cancellation of the tournament.

The beautiful holiday resort of Tahiti is gaining a reputation in football circles as not being very reliable if you are thinking of in-

viting them.

Auckland suffered the same fate as Queensland early this year when Tahiti cancelled late from a proposed tour by the Auckland team to that country.

The Brisbane XXXX League competition is creating a lot of heartache for clubs at the bottom end of the points table.

This year's regulation systems requires two teams to drop to Second Division while two teams will be promoted.

As the points table stands, clubs with years of tradition are looking at relegation squarely in the face.

Is it time for the sport in Australia to look closely at the relegation system?

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Does the relegation system help the marketing of the sport in the long run?

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SOUTH AUSTRALIAN SCENE

BY ALLAN CRISP

THE Foundation SA State League is set for its most dramatic and exciting finale.

Since this is only the second season under the new banner, since Foundation SA succeeded Rothmans, there can be no disputing the statement.

Adelaide Hellas took out the 1989 First Division championship by a whopping 11 points, but with just two rounds left to complete the 1990 title race, Hellas and Croatia were locked on 31 points apiece, separated only by goal-difference.

Saturday's crucial final round 22 sees Hellas pitted against Birkalla at Camden Reserve, while Croatia is away to already relegated Cumberland United.

The other fixtures are: Adelaide City v Azzurri; Beograd v Polonia; Salisbury v Modbury and USC Lion v Port Adelaide.

South Australian soccer in general and Adelaide City in particular was shocked by the tragic death of John DiPinto in Italy.

The City club manager and treasurer Mr DiPinto died last week as a result of injuries sustained in a road accident.

Mr DiPinto, 70, was in Italy to view the World Cup and accepted a lift from friends after the Italy versus Republic of Ireland match in Rome on July 3.

The car he was

travelling in was struck by a reversing truck and Mr DiPinto was admitted to a hospital intensive care ward in the city of Latina after suffering facial lacerations and severe whiplash.

While Mr DiPinto's wife was in Italy at the time of the accident, his children, Mrs Irene Toner and Adelaide City secretary Mr Joe DiPinto left for Italy after hearing of their father's death.

"It is a great shock to everybody — especially his family — I still can't believe it," Adelaide City president, Mr Charlie Caruso said.

"John was a magnificent organiser, but as well as being a fellow club worker he was also a dear friend to all of us."

ERSTWHILE Hellas striker Billy Wright was back in town this week — keen to gain a club here for next season.

The Kiwi left SA after a disappointing season with Hellas and returned to his Victorian State League club Morwell Falcons, via a brief stay in NZ.

But he was a spectator at flood-hit Hindmarsh on Wednesday for West End Premier Cup action.

And he made it clear to at least one club he would not mind moving back to SA at the end of the season.

Meanwhile, Jim Deilos has taken over as Hellas team manager.

FOUNDATION SA LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hellas	20	14	3	3	41	15	31
Croatia	20	13	5	2	38	21	31
Polonia	20	8	10	2	35	17	26
Azzurri	20	10	5	5	29	19	25
Beograd	20	7	8	5	25	23	22
Salisbury	20	8	5	7	27	25	21
Birkalla	20	7	6	7	33	28	20
Modbury	20	6	7	7	29	35	19
Adel C	20	4	10	6	16	19	18
USC Lion	20	5	7	8	21	27	17
Cumberland	20	3	2	15	15	35	8
Port Adelaide	20	1	0	19	10	53	2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Pera	15	8	4	3	23	9	20
Camp'n	15	8	2	4	17	10	20
Enfield	14	7	4	3	20	13	18
Blackwood	14	7	3	4	17	8	17
Apac	15	5	6	4	15	11	16
Omonia	15	5	5	5	9	10	15
Olympians	14	5	4	5	18	14	14
Eliz C	15	3	5	7	8	22	11
Norwonga	14	3	2	9	7	20	8
Seaford	15	1	5	9	7	24	7

ALAN CLARK'S SAD LOSS

OUR sympathies go to "The News" and ASW's soccer writer Alan Clark on the sad loss of his father who passed away in Scotland last week.

During Alan Clark's absence, the South Australian Scene column will be written by "The Advertiser" soccer writer Allan Crisp.

ACT LEAGUE

Defence Academy 1
Canberra City Concordia 3, Juventus 1
Belconnen United 3, Tuggeranong United 3
Weston Creek 0, University of Canberra 1
Canberra Croatia 0.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Juventus	14	9	3	2	34	13	21
Belconnen Utd	14	8	4	2	27	14	20
C. City Concordia	13	9	2	2	28	16	20
Tuggeranong Utd	13	5	5	3	31	20	15
University of Can	14	5	4	5	30	28	4
Canberra Croatia	14	6	0	8	29	25	12
Weston Creek	14	2	3	9	15	30	7
Defence Acad	14	0	1	13	8	55	1

WOMEN

Fourth title to NSW

NSW secured its fourth National Youth Women's Soccer Championship in Melbourne last week, only just beating South Queensland to the title.

Competition was close throughout the championship, but NSW remained undefeated, winning four matches and drawing one.

Final points were NSW 9, South Queensland 8, ACT 6, Victoria 4, Tasmania 3 and Northern NSW 0.

The National Youth Squad, who will train under Youth coach Jim Selby at the Australian Institute of Sport in August, is as follows:

Sara King, Angie Bean, Sasha Wainwright (ACT), Amanda Patterson, Amanda Sherrin, Tracy Bartlett, Justine Fisher, Lisa Turnbull, Jane Hornsby, Kaye Jardine (NSW), Samantha Dillen (NNSW), Claire Nichols, Tanya Corbett, Kim Revell, Tamara Sprott, Tracey Little (S Qld), Lee Ann Priest (Tas).

Also, three players have been added to the National Talent Identification (Junior) Squad, who will be training at the AIS during October.

They are Christina Ballerini (Vic), Karley Puma (ACT) and Kristy Pollard (Tas).

— GRAHAM COOKE

Change of plans in SA

BY ALLAN CRISP



NEVILLE FLOUNDERS: included in the re-vamped SA squad for Vanuatu.

THE South Australian Soccer Federation last week paraded more rapid programme changes than legendary stripper Gypsy Rose Lee.

A Second Division cup semi-final double-header, scheduled for midweek at Hindmarsh Stadium was hastily replaced by two deferred Second Division league fixtures.

But the clubs did not appreciate the 24-hour notice given them by the Second Division management committee and balked at being forced to alter their training routines.

So, instead of a double-header at headquarters, the lights stayed dim at Hindmarsh Stadium last Wednesday night.

The Federation also was stymied in its attempt to postpone the crucial final round of the Foundation SA State League First Division season.

The decision to postpone was made to ensure that the South Australian team would not be disadvantaged in its tournament in Vanuatu.

But the Australian Soccer Federation vetoed that plan, pointing out that the SASF was contracted to supply results for the UK Pools and the Australian Soccer Pools.

Into immediate action sprang SASF general manager Mike Wells, who was forced to re-vamp his entire State squad just five days before its scheduled departure for the Pacific Islands.

Adelaide's Telecom

snapped into overdrive as Mike Wells contacted clubs to seek co-operation in forming his new touring party.

The original SA squad was planned as an under 23 unit with three "over-age" players to lend experience.

But those ideas were shelved and when the selection dust settled, Mike Wells was convinced he had a more than competitive squad.

"The new squad was based on the players who want to wear the State shirt, coming from clubs which want to support the code in Australia," Mr Wells said.

"In the end I was delighted with the response of the clubs in allowing their players to be released for the tour."

The new South Australian squad now in Vanuatu for the 10th anniversary President's

Cup tournament is: Alex Tobin (captain), Neville Flounders, Steve Maxwell, Carl Veart (Adelaide City); Brenton Hiern, Chris Tsolardis, Lemmy Vatsilas (Adelaide Hellas); Graham Latham, Tony Gasparetto (Salisbury United); John Christopoulos, Kurt Leitner, Damien Harley (Polonia); Johnny Williams (Birkalla); Tony Radic (USC Lion); Kevin McCormack (Cumberland United).

Forced to drop out from the original squad were Martyn Crook (Para Hills), Peter Blaznovic, Juan Rodriguez, and Theo Anastasiou (Croatia) and Mark Brazzale and Steve Politis (Hellas).

Also unlucky were original stand-by players, Archie Christakos of USC Lion and Eddie Briscoe of Birkalla, who were not released by their respective clubs.

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Lamond stars on Croatian tour

MANIS Lamond scored a goal and had a brilliant match as the combined Sydney-Melbourne Croatia were edged out 3-2 by Hajduk Split in an exciting game at the Poljud Stadium.

The Australian team led 2-0 at the break, but were ground down later before a big home crowd of well in excess of 17,000 spectators.

Sydney-Melbourne Croatia played entertaining football, and also had clear cut victories over two provincial sides since last week's ASW report.

Another highlight of the tour comes with the big match against Dinamo Zagreb.

Some members of the touring party will be home shortly, and will have a limited



MANIS LAMOND

break before building up their training in readiness for the coming National Soccer League season.

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FROM AMERICAN BOSS DIAZ
A RESIDENT OF CANBERRA

AS an American who's watched soccer played on three continents, I thought it was time someone pointed out to supporters of "Australianizing" soccer here that one of the best things that can be done is to recognize the contribution that Australian youth soccer can make towards that goal.

Specifically, some of the bigger clubs in Australia should host at least one — and preferably more — week-long soccer tournaments for youths between 10 and 18 years old.

And these tournaments should be publicized at least nine months in advance in soccer publications of national circulation in the United States, Europe, and Asia.

Readers who might not know what's going on in youth soccer in the rest of the world need only to browse through the May 24th edition of Soccer America — the United States' counterpart to Australian Soccer Weekly.

That edition lists no fewer than 300 youth soccer tournaments worldwide from June through December.

True, the majority of these are in the United States.

But many of them are in Europe.

For example, the Italy Cup, Verona, Italy; the Vigo Classic, Vigo, Spain; the Dana Cup, Frederikshavn, Denmark; the London Youth Soccer Festival, London, England; the IFCB-International Friendship Cup, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; and the Holland Cup, Amsterdam, Holland.

The Dallas Cup, held every year around the end of March in Dallas, Texas, attracts teams from Italy, South America, Russia, England, and many other soccer loving nations.

I could name more tournaments but this sampling should give you the idea.

Who comes to these tournaments?

Usually, a lot of national club teams and sometimes some of the national youth teams.

A club in Thailand sent a fantastic under-12 team to the Dallas Cup in 1988.

I'd like to see the AIS youth team compete in the Dallas Cup and some of the other international youth tournaments in



International tournaments for kids can be fun as well as instructional.

Europe and South America.

International competition at the youth level will pay big dividends later when it comes to the Olympics and World Cup.

These tournaments are not free. Teams pay entry fees many months in advance of between \$130-\$400.

For this fee, each team is guaranteed a certain minimum number of games, usually three or five.

Although many tournaments are weekend affairs, the tournaments that attract international competition usually last from five to eight days.

Tournaments lasting only a few days aren't economical for international competition.

For its part, the tournament host secures the venues, arranges for qualified referees — you don't have parents running the lines, even at the under-12 levels — and makes up the draw, as well as arranging for a thousand other details.

Organisation

Catering to youth soccer in the United States and elsewhere has become big business.

The May 24th issue of "Soccer America" lists 26 travel agents that cater to youth soccer teams.

In addition, the tournaments themselves often provide strong financial benefits to the host community.

Teams often rent hotel rooms for the week-long tournaments.

Sometimes, of course, especially at some of the shorter tournaments, team members stay as guests of host team players' families.

In any event, the players and their families are tourists, and they spend money on transportation, food, and local merchandise.

Most tournaments also contract with local businesses to have concessionaires selling soccer equipment as well as the normal food items near the soccer pitches.

A percentage of these sales is returned to the tournament host team's coffers.

So, come on Australians — where's the Australia Cup? I'm sure a number of youth soccer teams in the United States would jump at the chance to visit Australia and play soccer from June to August — the school vacation period there.

Although one week-long, well organized and run tournament would be enough to attract international competition, what's really needed is a series of week-long youth tournaments from Melbourne to Brisbane and perhaps Perth.

That way, a team could tour for a month, see a good bit of this wonderful land, and still play a lot of soccer.

Two years ago the under-12 team from Thailand that came to the US to play in the Dallas Cup went on to spend another three weeks in the United States touring from tournament to tournament.

A few well organized and run international youth soccer tournaments here could provide a needed boost to Australian tourism — and do wonders for Australia's soccer image both at home and abroad.

I can't believe all those enterprising people out there have overlooked the great potential that youth soccer possesses, not only as an economic force but also as a catalyst for the "Australianization" of soccer here.

I, for one, hope I'm not the only one who sees that potential.

[The NSW Amateur Soccer Federation is planning for a huge event of this nature. General manager Cec Bucello is seeking world wide and Australia wide entries. The series will take place over the first week of July 1991. An official launch will take place at the appropriate moment. ASW receives Soccer America and is well aware of US situation — Ed]

Soccer Scholarships to Europe

THE opportunity to play Soccer at the highest levels in Europe is the dream of nearly every aspiring soccer player.

This can now come true for two lucky players courtesy of Sports Exchange Australia, a sponsor of the New South Wales Amateur Soccer Federation Ltd.

Craig Johnston and Tony Dongo both had to make their own way over there.

The NSWASF is offering two scholarships to players presenting them with the same opportunities but in a different part of Europe at no cost to themselves.

The players will be flown to Denmark to train with their number one club, Brøndby

I.F. in March 1991 for three weeks.

This will include accommodation, participation in the local competition with the youth team, training with the first squad and evaluation.

As an indication of the strength of the Brøndby Club, six of their team play for Denmark and the club is regarded by many throughout Europe as having one of the best junior development programmes in Europe.

Players in the 14-16 year old age group interested in being considered for one of these two scholarships will need to complete the following nomination form and have it forwarded to the office of the NSWASF by 4pm on Friday August 24.

Successful applicants will be asked to attend trials and interviews to be scheduled at Parklea.

They will be examined by a special selection panel who will be responsible for making the final decision.

Ability, attitude, maturity and references will all be considered.

This is regarded as an excellent opportunity for two players to further their soccer career and the NSWASF Ltd is grateful to Sports Exchange Australia for making the scholarship available.

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CURRENT TEAM _____

SOCCER HISTORY:

1 CLUB _____

2 REPRESENTATIVE _____

SCHOOL ATTENDED: _____

CLASS _____

SCHOOL'S TELEPHONE NO. _____

PARENTS/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____

On a separate sheet please also provide the following

1. Comments and recommendations from current coach.
2. Comments and recommendations from the senior coach in the Association or Federation Club.
3. Comments and recommendations from school sports master.
4. Any other information you feel may help your selection.

Nomination and attached sheets should be sent to: General Manager, NSWASF Ltd, P.O. Box 84 Toongabbie, NSW 2146.



Rest assured that former national coach Frank Arok won't let the grass grow under his feet when it comes to unearthing talent. His young St George side is the only NSL outfit to distinguish itself in the NSW State League. Arok is pictured here with young Peter Roberti of Northern NSW. Pic: HECTOR CARRASCO.

Aussies cleaned up in Indonesia

THE Australian World Youth Cup squad finished the first leg of its Asian tour with a 1-0 victory over First Division side Pelita Jaya in Jakarta, making a clean sweep of the three games played in Indonesia.

Despite the heat, the young Socceroos dominated the game and only some excellent defence by Pelita Jaya kept the scoreline to the one goal.

Striker Chris Trajanovski scored the winner in the 21st minute when he ran on to a through ball from midfielder Lorenz Kindtner and neatly angled the

ball into the corner of the net.

Kindtner was named man of the match, continuing his good form shown in recent games.

Further results are Australia 6 (Seal 4, Franjanovski, Corica) Malaysia 0, and Australia 1 (Bingley) Malaysia 0, with the team now in Singapore.



When old friends meet, NSW Federation treasurer Peter Gray collects a memento from NSW Amateur president, John Hadison at the National U15 function at Campbelltown.

UMBRO YOUTH LEAGUE

ROUND 25 SATURDAY JULY 21 DIVISION 1

		U13	U14	U15	U17
St George	v	APIA	6-0	0-0	1-0
Sthn Districts	v	Syd Olympic	0-2	0-3	1-2
Can/Marie	v	Syd Croatia	2-2	0-1	1-5
Macarthur	v	Melita	3-0	0-0	3-0
Iawarra	v	Blacktown City	0-4	0-3	2-0
Nepear	v	Marconi	0-2	0-2	2-2
Bankstown	v	Sutherland	0-2	0-1	0-1

DIVISION 2

Ku-nng-gai	v	Warringah	7-0	0-0	5-1
Sthn Branch	v	Canterbury	0-1	1-0	1-3
Granville	v	Manly Warringah	0-0	2-0	0-0
Sthn & Eastern	v	Ava-s	3-1	3-1	0-1
Poona	v	Blacktown	0-2	2-2	4-0
Central Coast	v	Rockdale	0-0	1-0	2-0

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ROUND 17 MONDAY JULY 23 DIVISION A

		U11	U12
Canterbury	v	Granville	4-2
Sthn Branch	v	St George	1-2
Iawarra	v	Bankstown	1-2
Macarthur	v	Sutherland	2-1
Blacktown	v	Sthn Districts	1-0

DIVISION B

South Eastn	v	Gladesville	1-2
Ku-nng-gai	v	Manly	0-2
Macquarie	v	Central Coast	0-1

COMMONWEALTH BANK CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS COMPETITION 1990

THE Commonwealth Bank Champion of Champions Competition 1990 will commence on Sunday, 2nd September.

This competition is one of the most popular tournaments on the amateur calendar as it represents a clash between the best teams in each age group in each Amateur Association.

Competitions run through from U9 to U18, U21 and All Age.

The team that represents each Association is usually the team that won the local competition in that age group in the Association and is

therefore the local champion.

This champion team then plays against other champion teams from other Associations in a knock out tournament, making each game a grand final for up to five rounds.

This culminates in the grand final in the 6th round on Sunday 28th October next to decide the overall Champion of Champions for each age group before crowds of up to 10,000 spectators if previous years attendances are anything to go by.

The format for 1990 will revert to that used in 1988 where teams will

travel to other Branches' Associations depending on the draw and not playing off with in their own Branch.

For 1990, round one will see Sydney teams travel to the country for their first match (depending on the draw).

In 1991, this will probably be reversed with country teams starting their first game against a Sydney team in Sydney.

The other change for 1990 is that there will be no Ladies' Champion of Champions competition. Instead, there will be a women's State Cup for U17 and All Age teams in order to allow

more teams to enter.

This will run concurrently with the Champion of Champions tournaments with finals played on the same day at the same venue.

Nomination forms are being sent to all Associations and will close on 10th August, 1990.

Associations will not know, in most cases, which team will represent them in each age group.

All that is required is for associations to advise which age groups they wish to contest and which grounds will be available for use.

Fair go for NSW

WRITES VINCE BALZAN*

I believe it is about time the Australian Soccer Federation started questioning what criteria AIS head coach Ron Smith uses to select the players for the Australian Institute of Sport.

People in NSW can no longer accept that Victoria can manage almost 50% representation, while NSW has only 10% to 50%.

It is reported that in the current intake Victoria already has four players with a further three to be added.

NSW had none up to just over a week ago, but after a meeting between Smith, NSW secretary Ian Holmes and NSW director David Lee, he decided to invite two players

from NSW to join the AIS.

I understand this was done without consulting Lee on whether he considered the players suitable to attend the AIS or whether he wanted to recommend any other players.

I am not questioning Ron Smith's ability to carry out his coaching duties, what I am questioning is the manner he is perceived to be treating the people of NSW.

Some of the facts that should be taken into consideration when analysing the treatment NSW is receiving are:

- NSW has far and away the largest juniors soccer participation, which will mean NSW will be contributing a lot of money to the ASF under the new scheme.



Vince Balzan

- It has won more national championships at junior level than any other state.
- When Alan Vest was D.O.C., Ron Smith consulted him on the intake for the AIS.

- For the current intake, NSW have won the national championship at under 13, 14 and 16, yet can only manage two players to Victoria's seven. It was under 15 runner-up.

* Vince Balzan is president of the NSW Coaches' Federation.

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

"The players I've spoken to say they are feeling it less this year because we've been in the position and we know what it feels like."

"We've learned by the disappointment of last year and we won't be making the same mistakes again."

Dobson has pledged that Croydon will go to Heidelberg "to win."

Third-placed Brunswick Juventus will be hoping the Bergers can win the big game.

A Heidelberg win will open the title race up to all three clubs at the top with six rounds still to play.

A Croydon victory will give that club a four-point buffer going into the final half-dozen rounds.

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Southern Districts (at left) moves in a Bankstown District opponent in the Under 13 Umbro Youth League — HECTOR CARRASCO PICTURE.

Combined Catholic Schools semis at Valentine Park

The schools reaching the semi-finals of the Combined Catholic Colleges Cup are now preparing for Friday, July 27, when matches kick off at 6pm at Valentine Park, Parklea.

St Peters Maitland had the most decisive quarter-final win, defeating Catherine McAuley, Grafton 5-0.

St Peters were runners-up in 1989 and appear a strong chance to go one better in 1990.

De La Salle Ashfield also showed good scoring potential with a 4-2 win over De La Salle Cronulla in their quarter-final.

In a tense struggle, McCarthy Senior High School of Emu Plains

edged out All Saints, Casula, in a high standard game 1-0.

John Theny also had a tough battle to qualify for the semi-finals. They defeated St Leo's of Wahroonga 2-1.

In the semi-finals, Maitland will take on Ashfield, while John Theny will meet McCarthy.



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POLONIA Youth League U15: S Spiteri, D Grech, J O'Conner, D Posadis, G Dehn, B Turner, D Plummer, C Ginger, A Panarello, M Seaton, B Newell, A Degret, P Wadling, T Tucker. Coach: G Dollar. Mgr: B Stoppani. Pic: HECTOR CARRASCO



POLONIA U13: Coach: John Green. Manager: Elaine King. Adam Rogers, Luke Fayle, Paul Kensley, Byron Hardy, Mark Herrer, Ricky King, Michael Kiss, Jose Lobo, Cecil Senat, Chris Straub, Geoff Whitford, Anthony Harden, Steven Riveiro. Pic: H. CARRASCO



POLONIA Youth League U17: L Bejar, B Gauld, D Tillinghast, D Hinton, C Jones, P Nathan, B Field, J Xuereb, P Cordina, L Gallaway, S Baverstock-Ward, B Sparkes, A Barnes, P Tsilianos, M Woodburn, J Redman. Coach: E Woodburn. Pic: HECTOR CARRASCO

Gladesville Hornsby next in NSWASF plans for schools

IN a continuation of the NSWASF's schools' plan, the next association to receive the instruction and coaching of top NSL players is Gladesville Hornsby.

Gary van Egmond, Robbie Hooker and Australian women's representative Anissa Tann will be travelling throughout the area spending time working with both boys and girls in the 10-15 year-old age group.

Promotions and Development officer Robert Wheatley has targeted this age bracket as a vital one for the code.

He has also travelled to junior matches on a Saturday morning to keep an eye on local talent.

The Carlingford Redbacks v North Ryde RSL game (11-1s) had a large bearing on the top of the table.

It finished in a close fought 2-1 victory to the visitors from North Ryde.

Check to see if your school is on the list for a special visit.

Tues 24/7 Normanhurst BHS 1.30-3pm, Wed 25/7 Epping North PS 1.45pm, Thurs 26/7 Ermington West PS 9.10.20am, Epping West PS 1.45/3.15pm, Fri 27/7 Eastwood PS 9.30 11.50am, John Purchase PS Cherrybrook 1.30/2.50pm, Mon 30/7 Epping BHS 1.00/2.20pm, Tues 31/7 Carlingford HS 10.30am/12noon, Wed 1/8 Carlingford West PS 10.15/11.30am, Cumberland HS 1.30pm, Thurs 2/8 Ermington PS 1.30/2.50pm, Marsden HS 9.15/10.30am, Fri 3/8 Normanhurst PS 1.30/2.50pm.

UNDER 15 NATIONAL TALENT IDENTIFICATION DINNER



ASF general manager Alan Vessey speaks.



One of the VIP tables. From left foreground: Mrs McDonald, Barry Capelin, Mrs Capelin, Cec Bucello, Mrs Fran Bucello, Jim Forrest, Mrs Forest, Bill Cullinan, Mrs Pam Cullinan and Greg McDonald.



Dinner at Campbelltown's plush Catholic Club.



Joy all around! Imagine John Hedison, Alan Vessey and NSW Amateur treasurer George Churchwood all smiling at the one time...



NSW Amateur Federation president John Hedison reads the giant \$40,000 cheque. From left: Greg McDonald (Mercantile Mutual) and Barry Capelin (Tolley and Gardiner).



Ross Andrews of host association Macarthur, with commemorative folio.



Barry Capelin of NSW Amateur's Insurers, Tolley and Gardiner.

NSW AMATEUR CELEBRATIONS

THE NSW Amateur Soccer Federation combined its hosting the National Under 15 Championships with the acceptance of a \$40,000 sponsorship cheque from their insurers, Mercantile Mutual and brokers Tolley and Gardiner.

It was a case for celebrations all round, after a championship held at the Bensley Rd ground in the satellite city of Campbelltown in Sydney's southern outskirts.

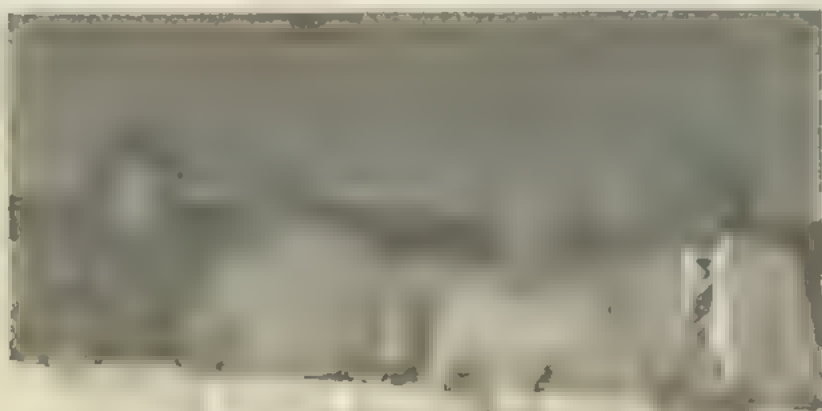
UNDER 15 NATIONAL TALENT IDENTIFICATION DINNER



The NSW U15 team relaxes. They ran second to arch rivals Victoria. Pic: HECTOR CARRASCO.



President John Hedison at the microphone



Stalwarts of the NSW Amateurs, with spouses. Jan and George Churchward, Suzanne and Harrie Denning.



Ross Andrews makes a presentation to South Australia.



Northern Territory receives its memento. Jim Forrest looks on.

PLAY, WORK AND A FUNCTION

The players, officials and the function are all depicted. The NSW Amateur Soccer Federation is close to the biggest sporting organisation in NSW. Plans are in hand to kick on numerically in all Branches and associations in 1991.



Where the buck stops! NSW Amateurs general manager Cec Bucello at his desk in the Valentine Park office. The NSW Soccer Federation has agreed to lease extra space to the Amateurs for their extensive operations.

UNDER 15 NATIONAL TALENT IDENTIFICATION DINNER



Peter McLaughlin of the NSW Dept of Sport, Recreation and Racing receives a memento.



The under 15 squad from Macarthur Soccer Football Association, which hosted the 1990 U15 National Titles in marvellous style. Photo: Hector Carrasco.



Jim Forrest, Sydney Branch Secretary and NSW Amateur and NSW director.



Louise Yates, the recently appointed Administrative Officer of the NSW Amateur Soccer Federation, office secretary Sally Querruel with satisfied customer Bill McIveen, manager of the South Australian under 15 team.



The official table at the National U15 dinner.

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NSW AMATEUR SOCCER FEDERATION

WELL DONE, MACARTHUR

Congratulations go to the enthusiastic Macarthur Soccer Football Association for its sterling efforts in hosting the 1990 National Championships.

ASW extends its thanks to Danny Himbrechts, who provided the news stories on the series.



Campbelltown City Alderman Peter Primrose receives a presentation from John Hedison.



South Australian team official at the microphone.



Romania's Iason Andone leaps for the ball over Argentina's Claudio Caniggia in the course of the 1-1 draw in Naples which qualified both teams for Phase 2 of Italia '90.

TAPIE BUYS ADIDAS

SOCCKER-crazy millionaire Bernard Tapie, renowned in his native France for never saying no to a challenge, has scored the biggest coup of his career by clinching control of the world's leading sports label Adidas.

The flamboyant Tapie, owner of French soccer champion club Olympique Marseille — based in a city he also represents in parliament — said he was taking

Financial details of the sale were not announced, but sources in Tapie's group said he paid around \$530 million for Adidas, which



Jean-Pierre Papin, the centre-forward of Marseille, the jewel in Bernard Tapie's crown.

control of the West German firm.

In his usual confident style, he pledged the deal would be profitable this year, even though he was taking on a group roughly 15 times bigger than his own and might have to go into debt to rescue Adidas from a world sales slump.

Tapie told the French daily 'Liberation' he had spent months patiently wooing Adidas shareholders before they agreed to transfer 80 per cent of the share capital of Tapie's holding company, Bernard Tapie Finance SA.

Tapie fought off Japanese, West German and American contenders for control of the group, which has been owned by the Dassler family since it was founded in 1920.

has a consolidated turnover of

\$3.6 billion.

Tapie himself, accustomed to paying enormous sums of money for his successes, announced he had clinched the deal for an "amazingly low" price.

Trade in Bernard Tapie Finance was temporarily suspended on the Paris Bourse to cool down the market after a sharp rise in the company's shares.

Through its Swiss-based subsidiary ISL, Adidas controls the marketing of the World Cup, the Olympic Games and other major sporting events.

Tapie already hopes to wield his new-found influence to push for France to host the 1998 World Cup.



'MAFIA'

WORLD Cup referee Jassem Mendi of Bahrain has made a blistering attack on the "Mafia gang" he alleges runs FIFA.

Mendi was among the officials selected for the World Cup in Italy but he failed — like Australia's Richard Lorenc — to be picked to referee a game.

"I was chosen among the 16 best referees in the World Cup, but I did not actually referee a single match," said a bitter Mendi.

He accused a "Mafia gang" within FIFA, of discrimination in favouring European and Latin American referees and called for a "new international order" for the men in black.

Mendi, who ran the line five times at Italia '90, said it was only as a referee that the chance arose 'to shine'.

"FIFA did not give me that chance," he said.

"If I had known I was going to be treated in such a way, I would not have gone to Italy."

FIFA's method of selecting referees at the World Cup has also come under criticism from the mass-circulation French sports daily L'EQUIPE.

The paper claimed Mexican referee Edgaro Codesal had only been appointed to the final because his father-in-law was the chairman of the referees' selection panel in Italy.

US denies World Cup rumours

UNITED States soccer officials rejected reports that they might withdraw from the 1994 World Cup because of low ratings on American television for this year's tournament.

"We're confident we're going to put on the best World Cup ever," John Polis, public relations director for the US Soccer Federation declared in dismissing reports of a pullout as "garbage."

Scott LeTellier, president of the World Cup '94 Organising Committee, also scoffed at reports that the three major US television networks would not even bid for broadcast rights.

LeTellier said that top executives of CBS Sports and ABC Sports and the Turner Broadcasting System and ESPN cable networks attended the World Cup finals in Italy with US soccer officials and "all expressed an interest in the bid process for 1994."

He said that while in Italy they all heard the reports of a lack of US television interest, adding: "We found that rather amusing."

"The main reason for having the World Cup here is to expose spectators in the stadium to soccer," Polis said.

"The success of the World Cup has never, ever depended on US television. It's only a small part of the worldwide package."

LeTellier said the bids for domestic US coverage would be held in the autumn and would probably be awarded to a combination of network and cable television.

"The issue is not whether the networks are interested in bidding. The question is at what price," he added.

The Turner cable station which showed matches from Italy reported disappointing ratings but the games — broadcast live — were shown in late morning or early afternoon.

LeTellier said that fears that television feeds from the United States might be endangered if the major networks decided not to cover the World Cup were unfounded.

"We have reached an agreement in principle with the European Broadcasting Union to serve as the host broadcaster for 1994, meaning that the same union which the Europeans are used to relying on to produce television coverage for all the

major events they watch will also be responsible for that same task in the United States," he said.

LeTellier took issue with reports that Coca-Cola and Anheuser Busch were considering withdrawing their support from US soccer, noting that their contract was with FIFA, not with the US soccer authorities.

Franz plays down American posting

FRANZ Beckenbauer has denied that he was set to become supremo of the United States 1994 World Cup preparations.



FRANZ BECKENBAUER

He termed reports that he was on the verge of joining the American World Cup effort as 'speculation'.

"Officially speaking no-one has said anything to me, it's only journalists who are talking about it," he said.

"If the Americans want anything from me they only have to give me a call, they

know where I am and they have my phone number.

"But I won't be going as a coach. I could remain in Germany if I wanted to do that."

Of the future of the US team, he said: "You can't help out the Americans with just one person, it needs a consortium to constitute a team. One individual alone is not enough, and I hope the Americans understand that."

"Four years is a lot of time but not in World Cup terms to sort out a team, so they have got to get going now."

"I know the Americans, they are a people undoubtedly capable of organising a great World Cup but the US World Cup team is another matter..."



Czechoslovak stopper Ivan Hasek, one of the top defenders at the World Cup, is about to join AS Monaco in the French First Division.

Top Egyptian goalie may sign with Everton



Egyptian goalkeeper Ahmed Shobeir — gets a chance at the big-time in England.

EVERTON are to give a two-week trial to Egypt's World Cup goalkeeper, Ahmed Shobeir.

Shobeir, with 60 international caps behind him, played in all three of Egypt's World Cup games in Italy, conceding two goals.

The 28-year-old will fly to Liverpool this week.

Shobeir won rave notices in every game — against Holland, Ireland and England.

Shobeir was Egypt's

reserve goalie when the Socceroos beat Egypt in the semi-finals of the President's Cup in South Korea three years ago.

Czechoslovakian national team coach Joe Venglos, bypassed in favour of Eddie Thomson for the Socceroo job, is the new coach of English side Aston Villa, replacing Graham Taylor who has become manager of England's national team.



Paul Gascoigne

Paul Gascoigne leaves his clowning behind

PAUL Gascoigne arrived in Italy as the clown-prince of English soccer.

But he returned home established as one of the most exciting new talents to emerge during the 1990 World Cup finals.

The midfield playmaker, who was not even an automatic choice when England flew to Sardinia for its opening Group F matches, proved with his performance in the semi-final against West Germany he had earned his place at the top.

Although he collected his second caution of the tournament and missed the third-place play-off against Italy in Bari, Gascoigne showed enough skill, energy, vision and maturity in his contest with West German captain Lothar Matthaus to warrant equal billing.

England coach Bobby Robson, often wary in the past of Gascoigne's lack of discipline on the pitch, was generous with his praise after seeing England beaten 4-3 on penalties after its 1-1 extra time draw with West Germany.

"Gascoigne has shown all through the tournament that he is one of the best players we have seen here," he said. "He has gained a lot of experience and he is still young. Only 23.

"He has worked hard and learned and

responded to it all. If we had got through to the final and he had missed that, it would have been a tragedy for a very talented player."

Such words show the progress of Gascoigne vividly.

Only last year, Robson, in a fit of frustration with the player, described him as being as "daft as a brush" because he would not listen and learn or obey tactical instructions.

Often in trouble with officials and a practical joker, Gascoigne is popular with his team mates and renowned for his pranks.

For the new Gascoigne, however, such tricks, like his brushes with authority and the fights with team mates in his early days, are in the past.

As England recover, regroup and plan ahead, Gascoigne has emerged as the new inspiration and a star around whom England may build for the future.

"He has done exceptionally well," said former England goalkeeper Ray Clemence, who coaches at Gascoigne's club Tottenham.

Gascoigne's impressive showing for England in the World Cup boosted shares in Tottenham Hotspur on the London stock market.

Shares in Spurs, one of three exchange-listed British football

clubs, were up more than seven per cent at 1.18 pounds against 1.08.

Investors were cheered by the possibility that Gascoigne could transfer to a European club for a record figure as high as \$16 million on the back of his impressive

World Cup performance.

But Spurs manager Terry Venables has said he will oppose any transfer of the player the London side bought two years ago from Newcastle United for two million pounds.

German merger set for 1991

FOOTBALL officials from the two German states have agreed to merge their leagues and form a joint national team next year.

The decision means that one German team will compete in qualifications for the European Championships in Sweden.

West and East Germany were drawn into the same group, along with Belgium, Wales and Luxembourg.

West Germany won the 1990 World Cup in Italy and one Germany will defend the title at the 1994 finals in the United States.

A united German team will also compete in the qualifications for the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona.

East German players will be eligible for the joint national team from 1991.

The East German Federation would withdraw its national team from competitions run by UEFA, but East German clubs will remain in this season's three European cup competitions.

The German soccer

union was moved forward by a year to reflect the quickening pace of political reunification that is expected to be completed by December.

Starting with the 1991/1992 season, the West German Bundesliga will be expanded to 20 clubs to include two East German teams. The Second Division of the Bundesliga will accept six East German clubs.

Joining the Bundesliga will be the top two East German clubs of the next championship.

To accommodate the East German clubs, the Second Division will be split into two groups with 12 teams each.

The exact promotion and relegation system will be decided later.

The decision to expand the Bundesliga is a surprise. Before state unity became topical, West German officials had been planning to reduce the competition to 16 clubs.

NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand 2 Lokomotiv Moscow 1 at Basin Reserve Wellington.

Nearly 400 "fans" deported from Italy



An English fan is strip-searched before being deported from Italy.

ITALY deported 384 soccer fans for unruly behaviour and refused entry to another 52 as part of its security drive against hooligan violence at the World Cup, police chief Vincenzo Parisi announced.

Italy mounted the biggest security operation in the history of the World Cup, mainly to counter potential vio-

lence from notorious hooligans among England supporters.

Parisi said it cost \$82 million and involved more than 50,000 police and support staff.

He told a news conference that 284 supporters had been detained during the month-long tournament and 129 of them were charged with various offences.

"Exemplary sentences" were given to 35 of those charged, he added.

Parisi gave no precise nationality breakdown but almost all the clashes reported involved English, Italian or West German supporters. Parisi said 102 people had been injured, half of them police.

FIFA, the Italian government and the local organising committee of Italia '90 hailed the operation as a major success.

FIFA general secretary Sepp Blatter said hooligans had heeded a message that "it was not worth coming to Italy to try to cause trouble because Italian police were ready to intervene energetically".

He said FIFA, which gave its World Cup fair play award to England, planned to make a separate award at the end of the year to the best-behaved fans from its member national federations.

He said the Irish fans were the only ones at the 24-nation tournament that police felt needed no segregation in stadiums and that not one Brazilian had been detained.



Star USSR midfielder Alexei Mikhailichenko (left) has joined European Cup-Winners' Cup winners Sampdoria of Italy.

No World Cup joy for Gianluca Vialli

ITALIAN striker Gianluca Vialli, knocked from his pedestal at the World Cup, has accused coach Azeglio Vicini of treating him like a workhorse.

"I'm bitter because I've realised that I'm only useful when they need a mule," Vialli said after learning that he had been excluded again for the third-place playoff against England.

"I'm not anyone special any more," said Vialli, once Italy's most crucial striker and the team's top scorer.

"Now I understand that I'm no longer indispensable. I've realised that as a player I'm not considered important any more."

Vialli, who turned 26 last week, was expected to be Italy's star at the World Cup after playing a vital part two years ago when the side reached the semi-finals of the European championship.

But, despite helping Sampdoria to win the European Cup Winners' Cup in May with two goals in the final, he has long been off form when wearing the blue jersey of the national side and has not scored for Italy since April last year.

A missed penalty against the United States in the first round of the World Cup finals affected him psychologically and a thigh injury kept him out of Italy's next three matches.

When he came back against Argentina in the semi-finals he was put into an unfamiliar supporting role to Salvatore Schillaci, the team's new goal-scoring hero, and took much of the blame when Italy were held to a 1-1 draw after extra time.

The home side lost in the resulting penalty shoot-out with an exhausted and demoralised Vialli, stretched out on the ground, watching from the sideline.

"I was asked to sacrifice myself and I did," said Vialli, who has 41 caps and had scored 11 times for Italy before losing form.

"I accepted an unpleasant role because in Italy's game one of the two strikers has to sacrifice himself for his team mate. As a result I lost my morale and my place."

Vialli, the first to rush on and hug Schillaci when the Sicilian striker scored, accused the Italian press of whipping up stories of jealousy between the two men.

"I don't suffer from jealousy," Vialli said. "I have been wrongly portrayed, as a man and as a player, and now people have got a very bad impression of me."

Vialli, who is now planning a long holiday, won sympathy from Paolo Rossi, Italy's hero when he helped them to win the 1982 World Cup with six goals.



Gianluca Vialli

"He must feel like a film star who looks in the mirror and sees the

first wrinkles," said Rossi who himself fell from grace after the 1982 triumph.

Leao may be Brazil coach

EMERSON Leao, coach of Sao Paulo club Portuguesa, is the most likely replacement for Sebastiao Lazaroni to take over Brazil's national squad, the "Jornal dos Sports" newspaper reports.



The newspaper quoted Roberio Vieira, spokesman for the Brazilian Football Confederation (CBF), as saying Leao was most likely to be named as the new coach.

The CBF will announce its decision on July 28, the paper said.

"It's true that there has not been a definite decision about Lazaroni's successor. But I would bet on Leao because he is the most cited among the CBF directors," said Vieira, who has been with the CBF for 18 years.

The Brazilian press had previously tipped former World Cup star Paulo Roberto Falcão and Carlos Alberto Pereira as the favourites to succeed Lazaroni who has been widely criticised for Brazil's poor showing in this World Cup.

Brazil were knocked out of the World Cup in a surprising second

round defeat to Argentina in what was their worst showing in the competition since 1966.

ASIAN BID

ASIA's hopes of staging the first World Cup finals of the 21st century were boosted by FIFA president Joao Havelange.

"A World Cup in Asia is one of our priorities," he said.

"China, Japan, Saudi Arabia, Malaysia and a unified Korea are possible hosts."

Havelange said South Korea would be unable to stage the World Cup by itself although it hosted the 1988 Olympics.



JOAO HAVELANGE

The United States is hosting the next tournament in 1994 and France, Brazil, Morocco, Switzerland and Portugal are vying to stage the finals in 1998.

Klaus Augenthaler, the unsung hero

AFTER years of untimely breakdowns, Klaus Augenthaler's body now works with the efficiency of a well-oiled machine.

A final overhaul in the run-up to the World Cup set the West German libero on the road to the most important game of his life in the World Cup final against Argentina.

Augenthaler spent much of the past few years on a physiotherapist's table, trying to shake off injuries that always seemed to hit him at the wrong time.

Just about every body part has been out of commission at some time or other as the Bayern Munich sweeper has made uncompromising demands on every joint and limb.

Augenthaler, at 32 the oldest man in Franz Beckenbauer's team, was unable to play the last stages of the 1986 World Cup finals because of injury.

Soon afterwards his career looked in jeopardy after an operation on a disc in his back.

"I learned perhaps more about life in those months of injury than ever before," Augenthaler said.

However, he made a remarkable comeback and produced some of the best form of his career during the past two seasons.

Inevitably, further injuries during the World Cup qualifying tournament and the build-up



Klaus Augenthaler

to the finals regularly threatened his ticket to Italy.

But Beckenbauer's faith in the injury-prone Augenthaler paid off in Italy, where he was a rock in the West German defence.

"We always knew he was a great player and the man for the job," said captain Lothar Matthäus.

"He has lived up to the faith that Beckenbauer put in him and produced the goods in the World Cup finals."

Although he earned his first cap in 1983, Augenthaler's relationship with the West German national team has been one of love at second sight.

Despite his age, the World Cup final was only his 27th international.

But any lingering doubts have long been dispelled and the quietly-spoken libero was as steady as ever in what was certain to be his last World Cup finals campaign.



Perfect symmetry and poetry in motion as Romania's Klein and his Argentine opponent chase the elusive ball in their drawn World Cup Group B match.